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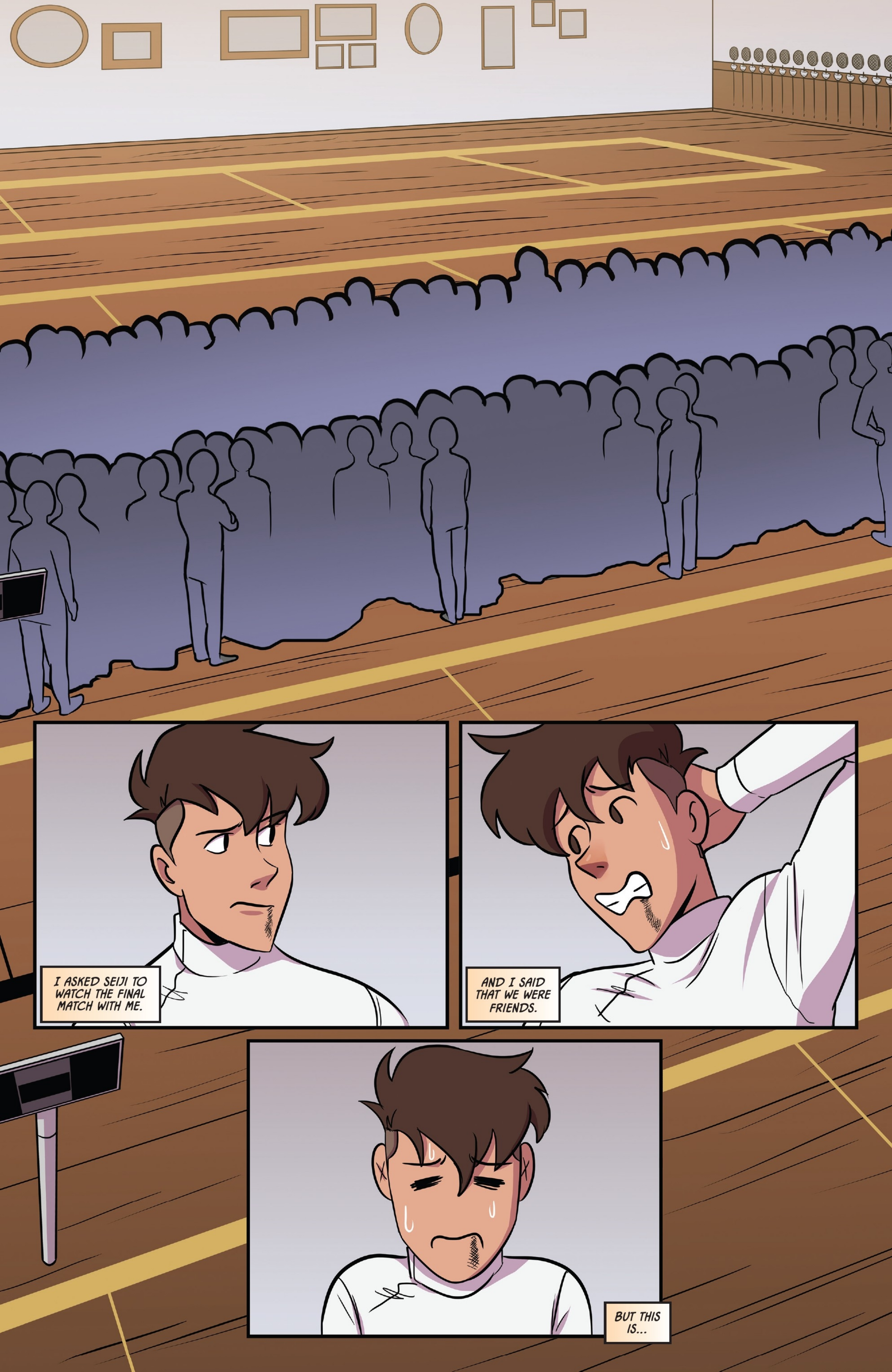
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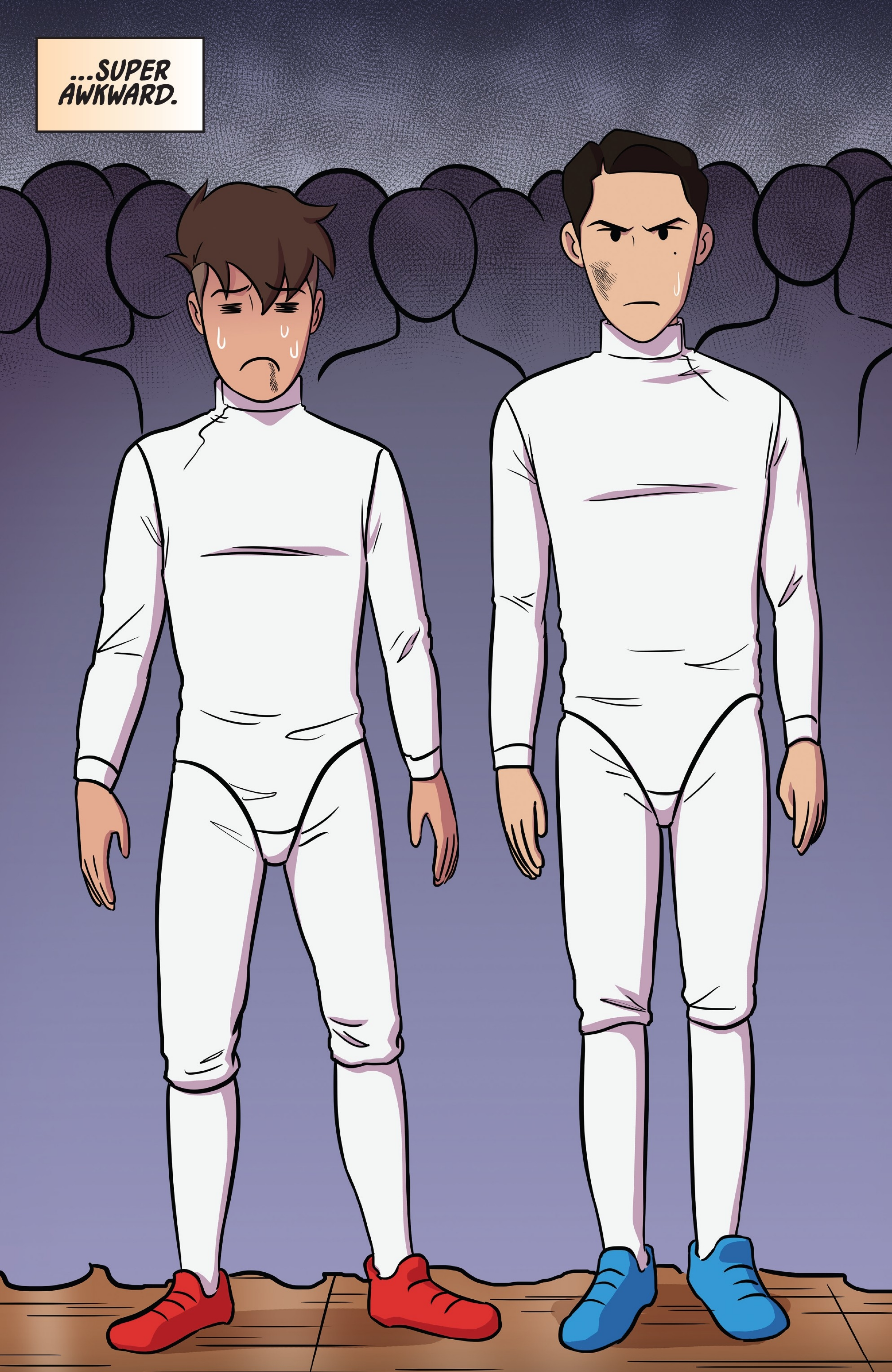
AND I SAID THAT WE WERE FRIENDS.
BUT THIS IS...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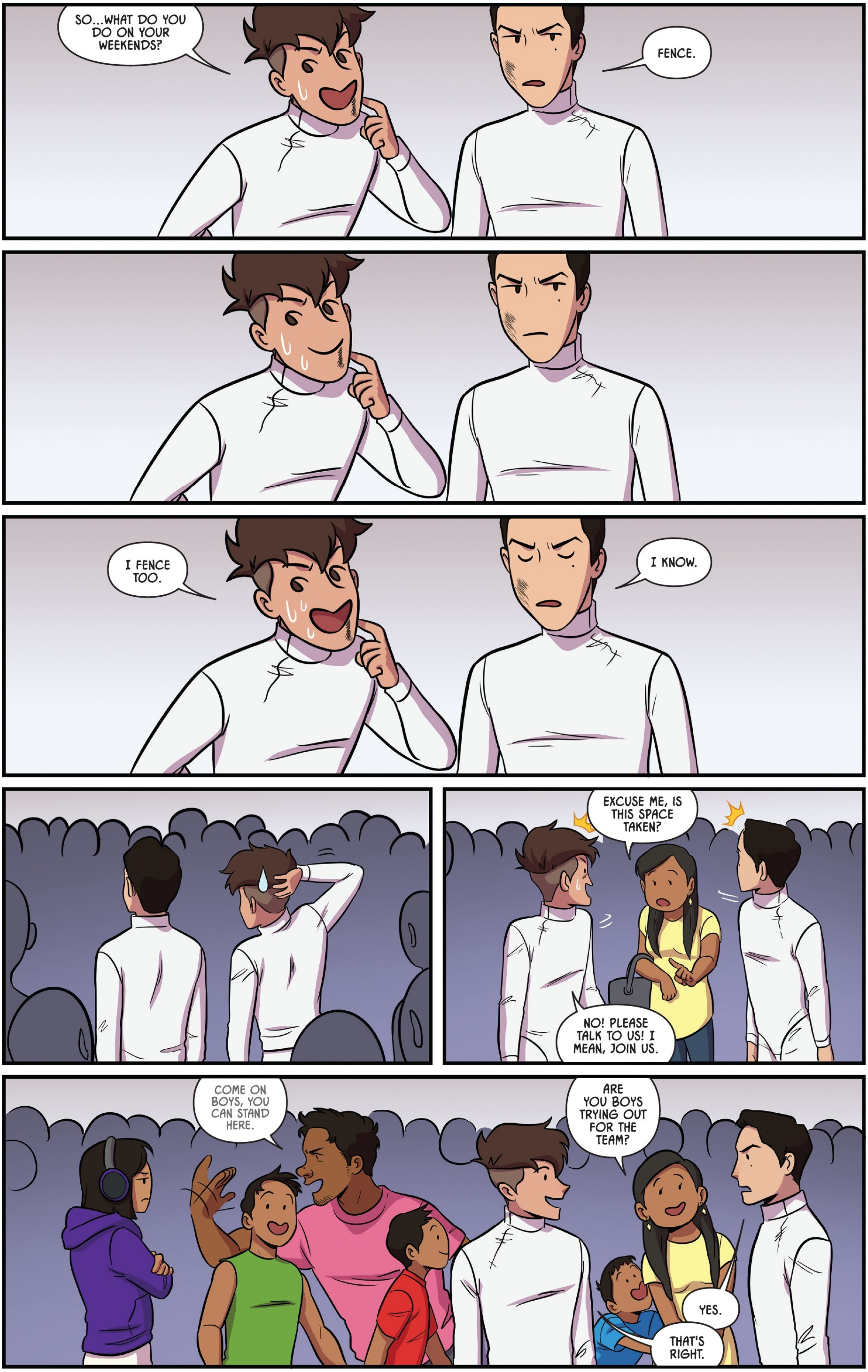
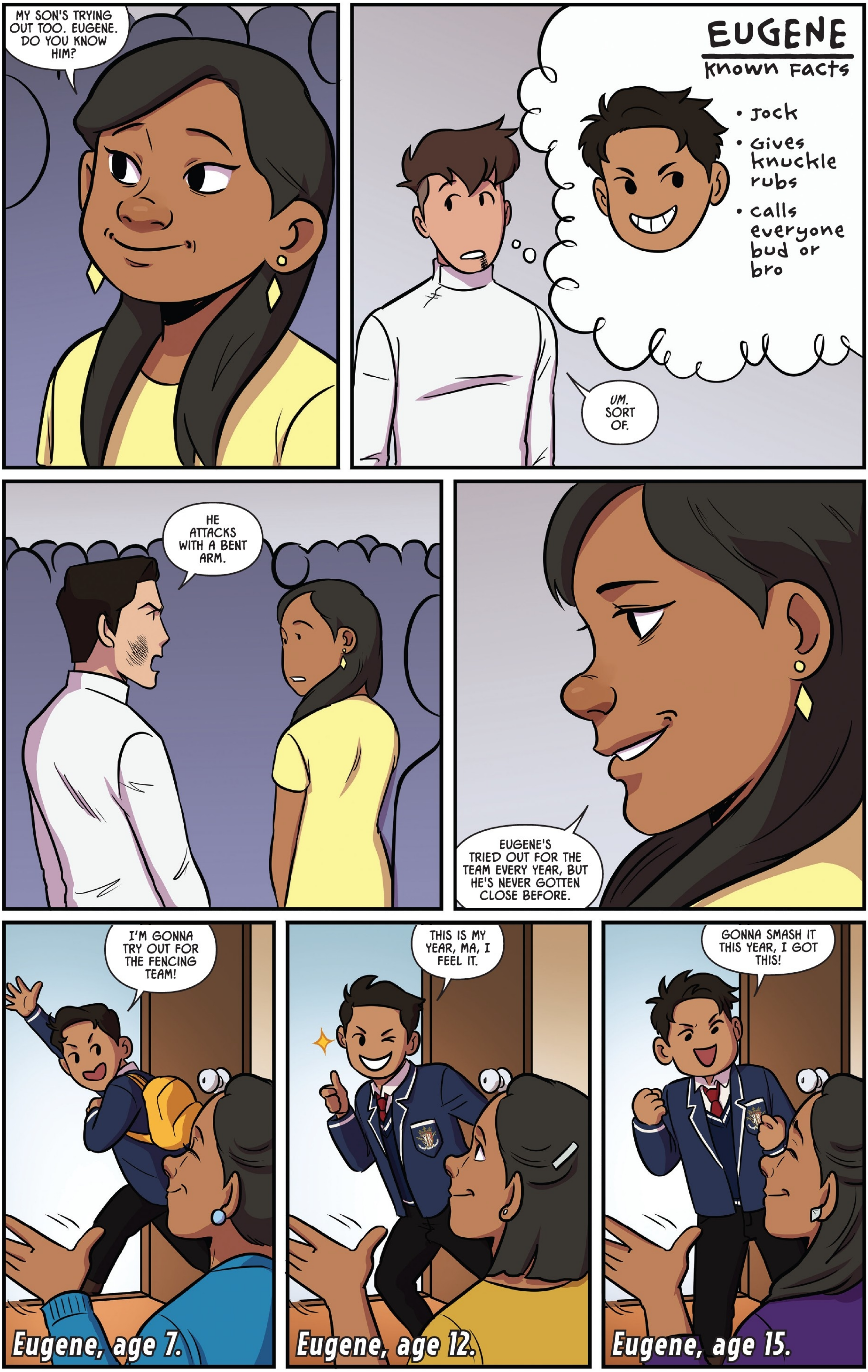
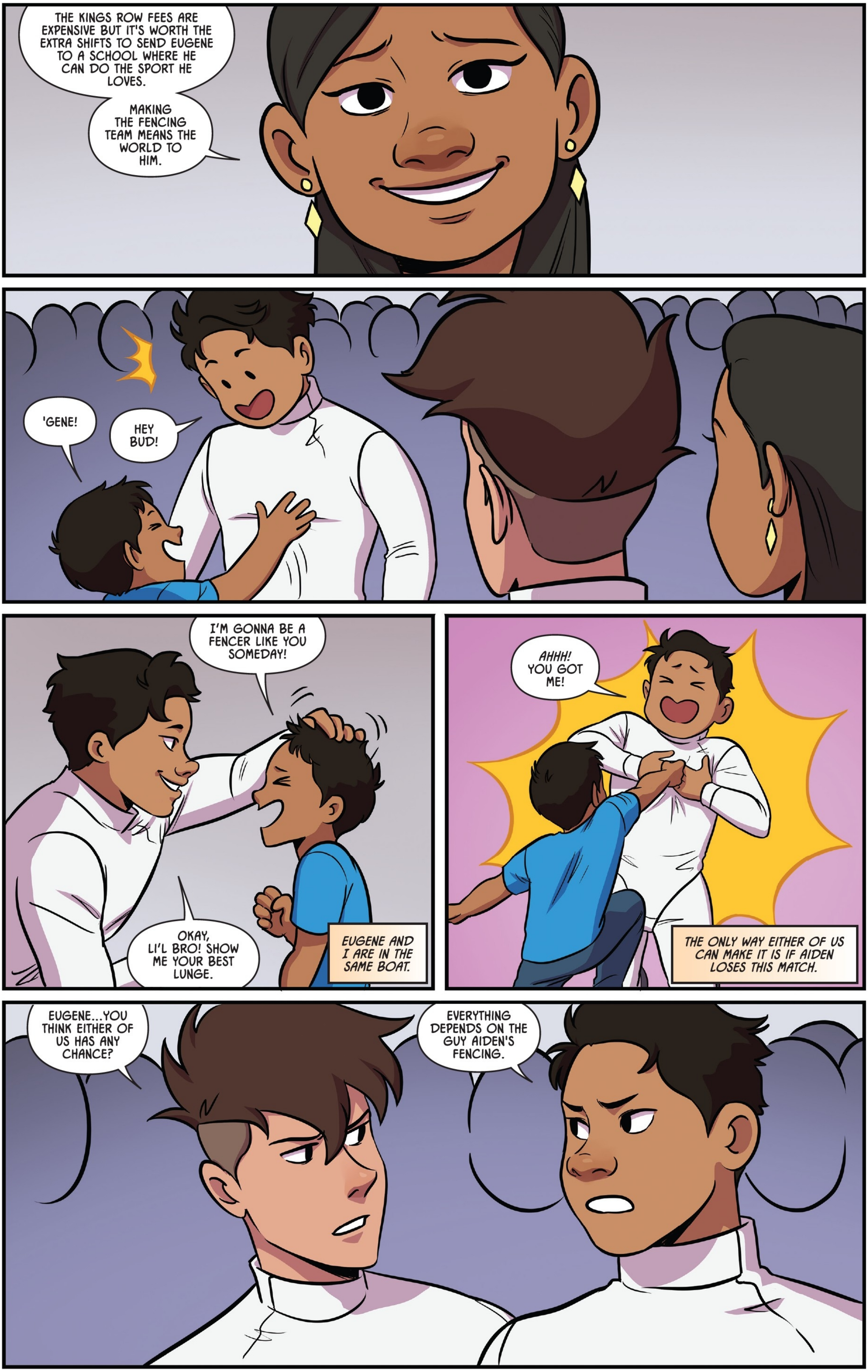
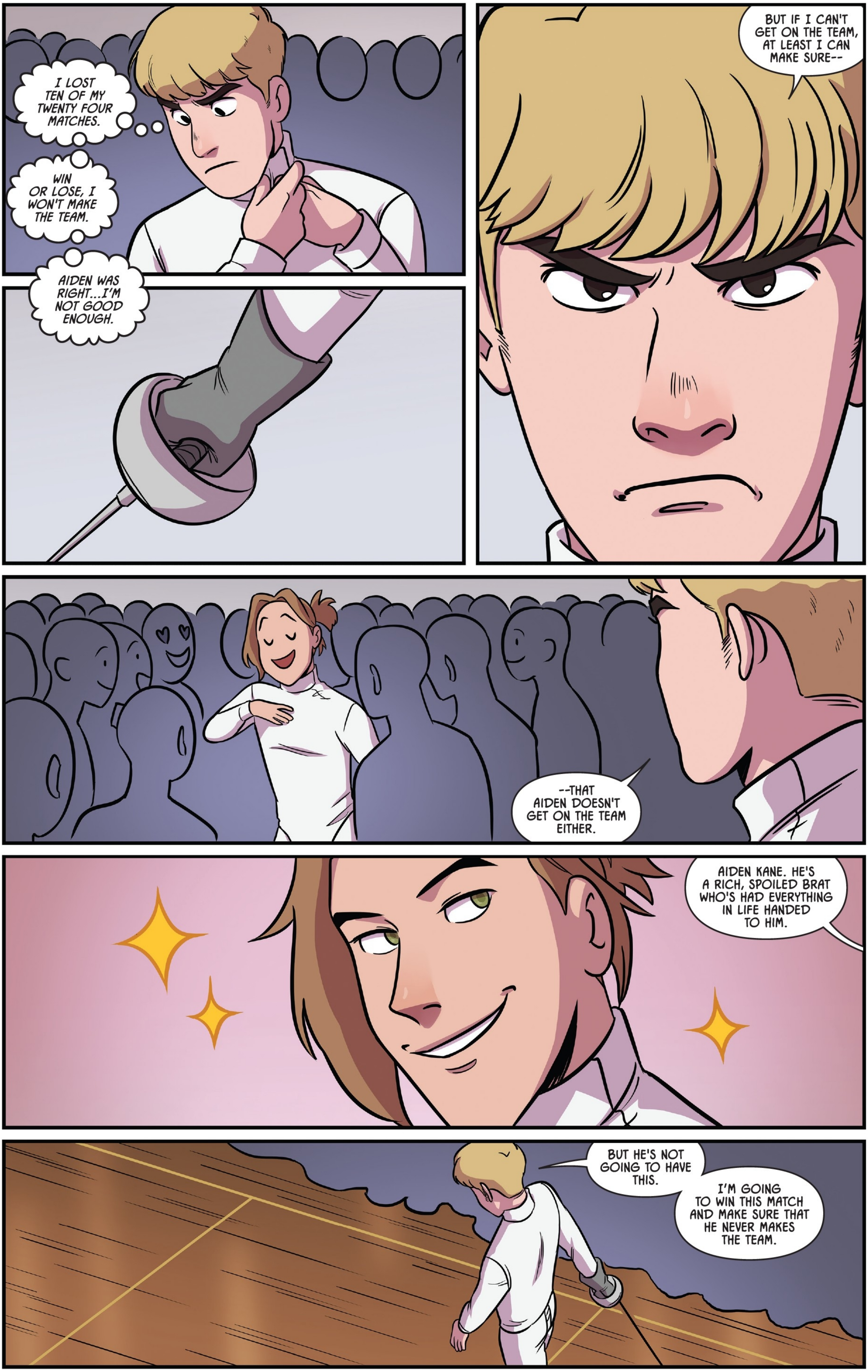
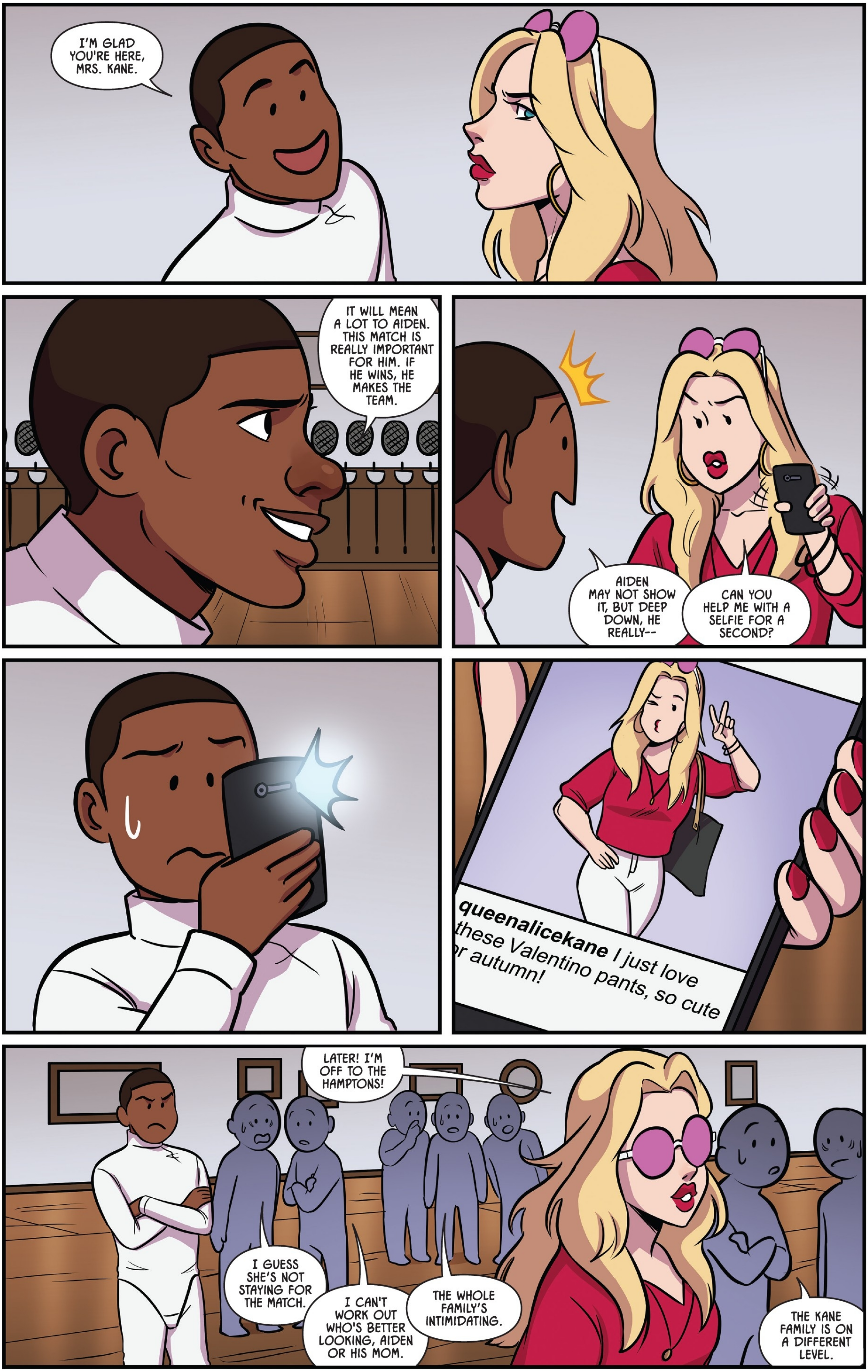
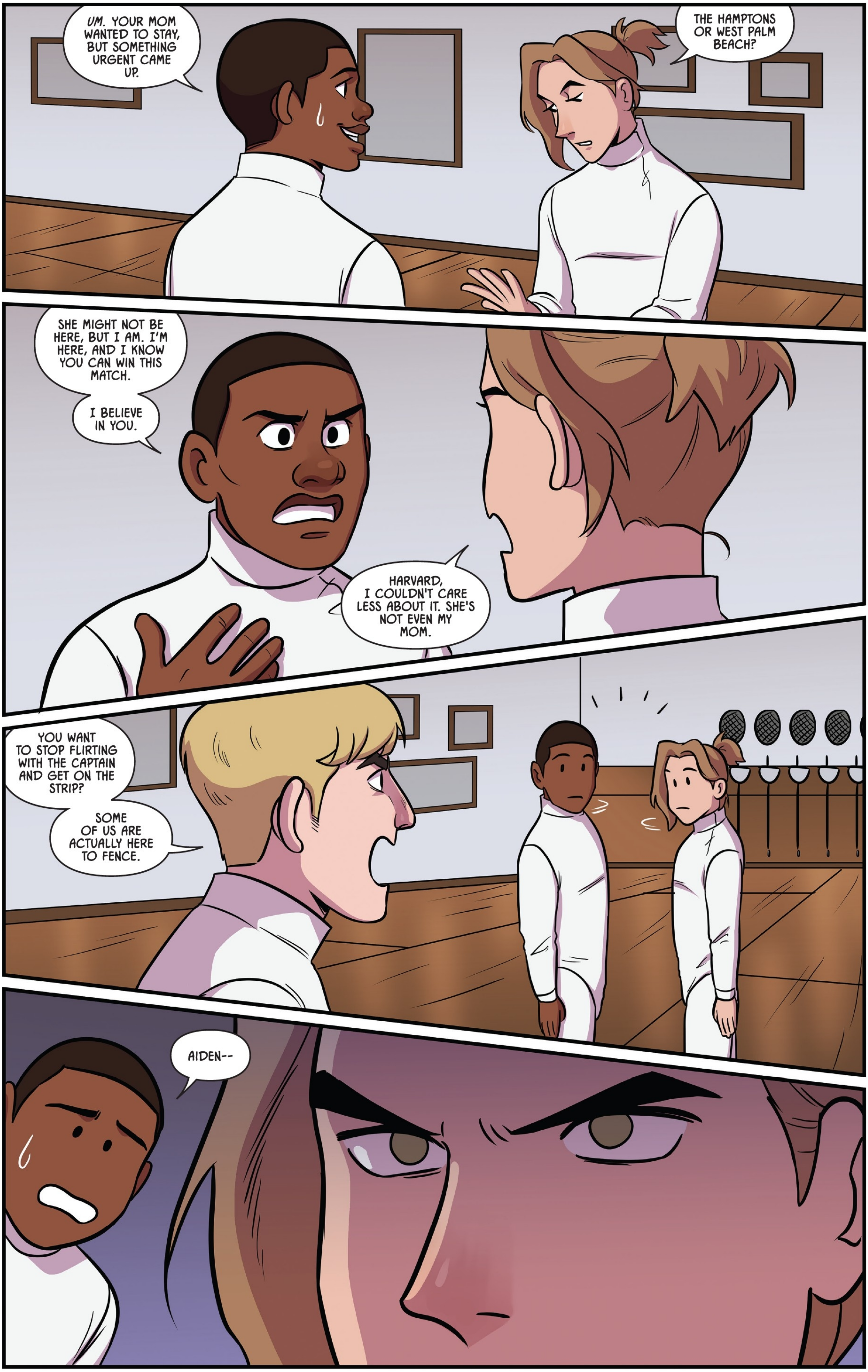

SO...WHAT DO YOU DO ON YOUR WEEKENDS?
FENCE.
I FENCE TOO.
I KNOW.
EXCUSE ME, IS THIS SPACE TAKEN?
NO! PLEASE TALK TO US! I MEAN, JOIN US.
COME ON BOYS, YOU CAN STAND HERE.
ARE YOU BOYS TRYING OUT FOR THE TEAM?
YES.
THAT'S RIGHT.

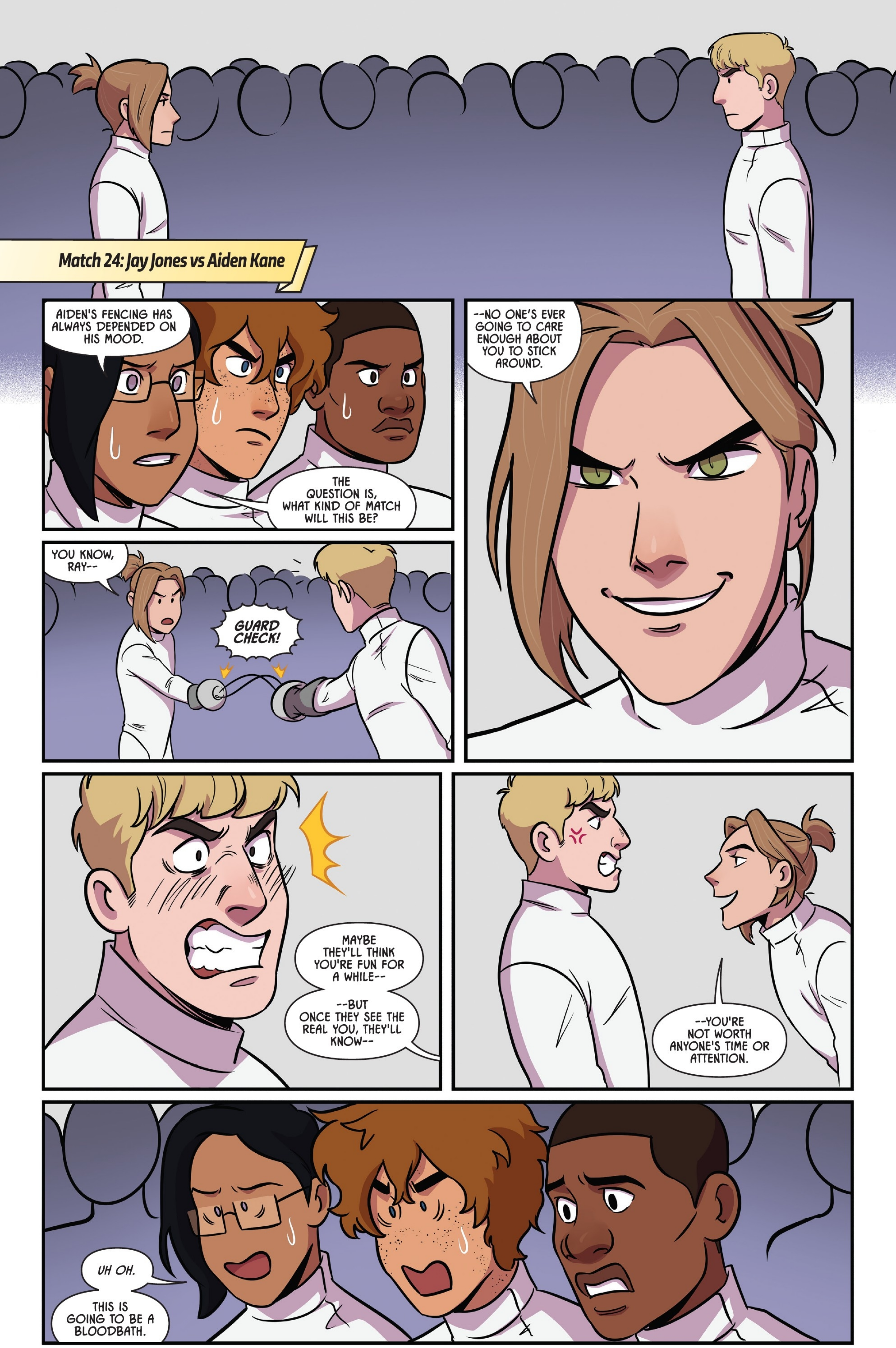

MY SON'S TRYING OUT TOO. EUGENE. DO YOU KNOW HIM?
EUGENE
Known Facts
• Jock
• Gives knuckle rubs
• calls everyone bud or bro
UM. SORT OF.
HE ATTACKS WITH A BENT ARM.
EUGENE'S TRIED OUT FOR THE TEAM EVERY YEAR, BUT HE'S NEVER GOTTEN CLOSE BEFORE.
I'M GONNA TRY OUT FOR THE FENCING TEAM!
Eugene, age 7.
THIS IS MY YEAR, MA, I FEEL IT.
Eugene, age 12.
GONNA SMASH IT THIS YEAR, I GOT THIS!
Eugene, age 15.

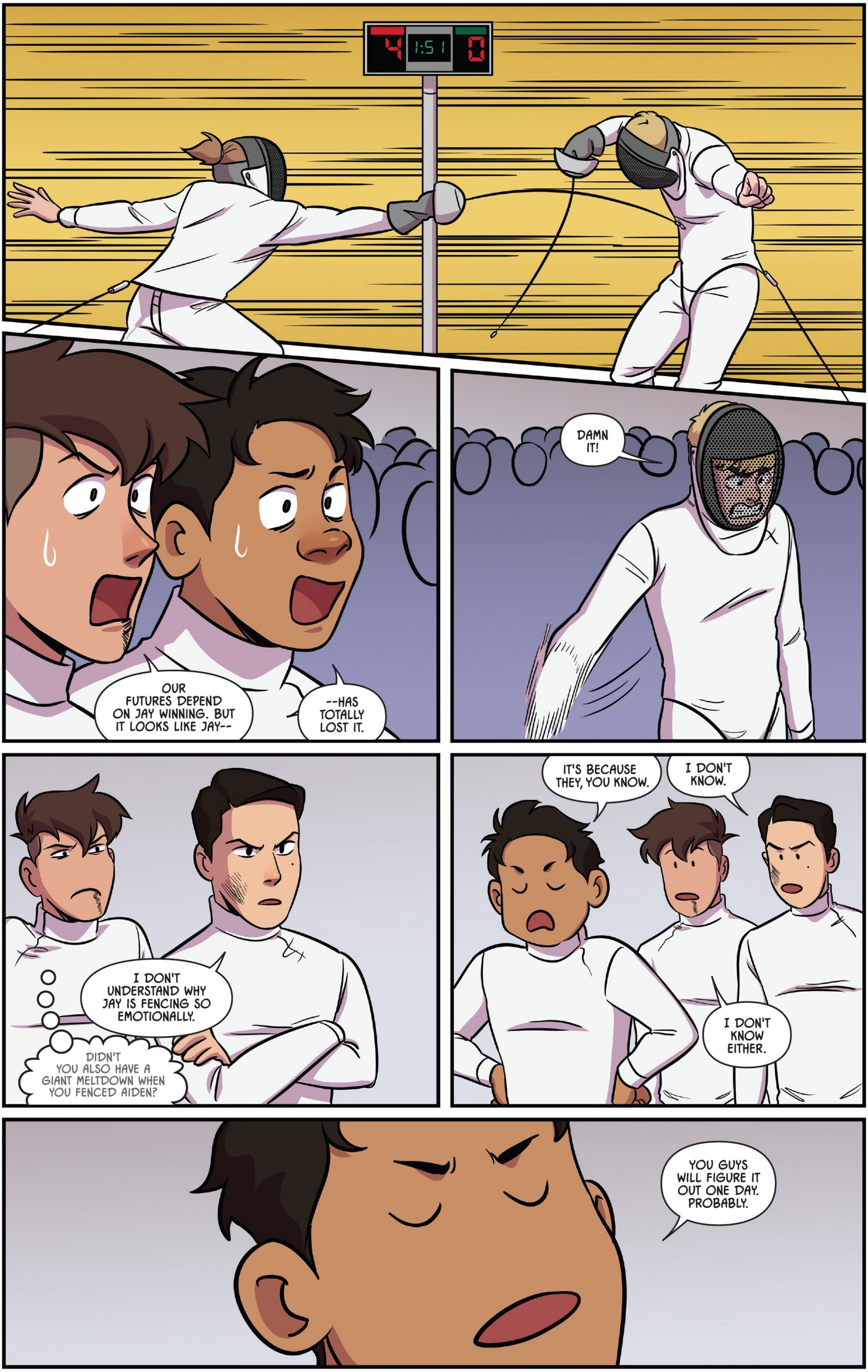

THE KINGS ROW FEES ARE EXPENSIVE BUT IT'S WORTH THE EXTRA SHIFTS TO SEND EUGENE TO A SCHOOL WHERE HE CAN DO THE SPORT HE LOVES.
MAKING THE FENCING TEAM MEANS THE WORLD TO HIM.
'GENE!
HEY BUD!
I'M GONNA BE A FENCER LIKE YOU SOMEDAY!
OKAY, LI'L BRO! SHOW ME YOUR BEST LUNGE.
EUGENE AND I ARE IN THE SAME BOAT.
AHHH! YOU GOT ME!
THE ONLY WAY EITHER OF US CAN MAKE IT IS IF AIDEN LOSES THIS MATCH.
EUGENE...YOU THINK EITHER OF US HAS ANY CHANCE?
EVERYTHING DEPENDS ON THE GUY AIDEN'S FENCING.


I LOST TEN OF MY TWENTY FOUR MATCHES.
WIN OR LOSE, I WON'T MAKE THE TEAM.
AIDEN WAS RIGHT...I'M NOT GOOD ENOUGH.
BUT IF I CAN'T GET ON THE TEAM, AT LEAST I CAN MAKE SURE--
--THAT AIDEN DOESN'T GET ON THE TEAM EITHER.
AIDEN KANE. HE'S A RICH, SPOILED BRAT WHO'S HAD EVERYTHING IN LIFE HANDED TO HIM.
BUT HE'S NOT GOING TO HAVE THIS.
I'M GOING TO WIN THIS MATCH AND MAKE SURE THAT HE NEVER MAKES THE TEAM.


I'M GLAD YOU'RE HERE, MRS. KANE.
IT WILL MEAN A LOT TO AIDEN. THIS MATCH IS REALLY IMPORTANT FOR HIM. IF HE WINS, HE MAKES THE TEAM.
AIDEN MAY NOT SHOW IT, BUT DEEP DOWN, HE REALLY--
CAN YOU HELP ME WITH A SELFIE FOR A SECOND?
queenalicekane I just love these Valentino pants, so cute r autumn!
LATER! I'M OFF TO THE HAMPTONS!
I GUESS SHE'S NOT STAYING FOR THE MATCH.
I CAN'T WORK OUT WHO'S BETTER LOOKING, AIDEN OR HIS MOM.
THE WHOLE FAMILY'S INTIMIDATING.
THE KANE FAMILY IS ON A DIFFERENT LEVEL.


UM. YOUR MOM WANTED TO STAY, BUT SOMETHING URGENT CAME UP.
THE HAMPTONS OR WEST PALM BEACH?
SHE MIGHT NOT BE HERE, BUT I AM. I'M HERE, AND I KNOW YOU CAN WIN THIS MATCH.
I BELIEVE IN YOU.
HARVARD, I COULDN'T CARE LESS ABOUT IT. SHE'S NOT EVEN MY MOM.
YOU WANT TO STOP FLIRTING WITH THE CAPTAIN AND GET ON THE STRIP?
SOME OF US ARE ACTUALLY HERE TO FENCE.
AIDEN--


Match 24: Jay Jones vs Aiden Kane
AIDEN'S FENCING HAS ALWAYS DEPENDED ON HIS MOOD.
THE QUESTION IS, WHAT KIND OF MATCH WILL THIS BE?
YOU KNOW, RAY--
GUARD CHECK!
--NO ONE'S EVER GOING TO CARE ENOUGH ABOUT YOU TO STICK AROUND.
MAYBE THEY'LL THINK YOU'RE FUN FOR A WHILE--
--BUT ONCE THEY SEE THE REAL YOU, THEY'LL KNOW--
--YOU'RE NOT WORTH ANYONE'S TIME OR ATTENTION.
UH OH.
THIS IS GOING TO BE A BLOODBATH.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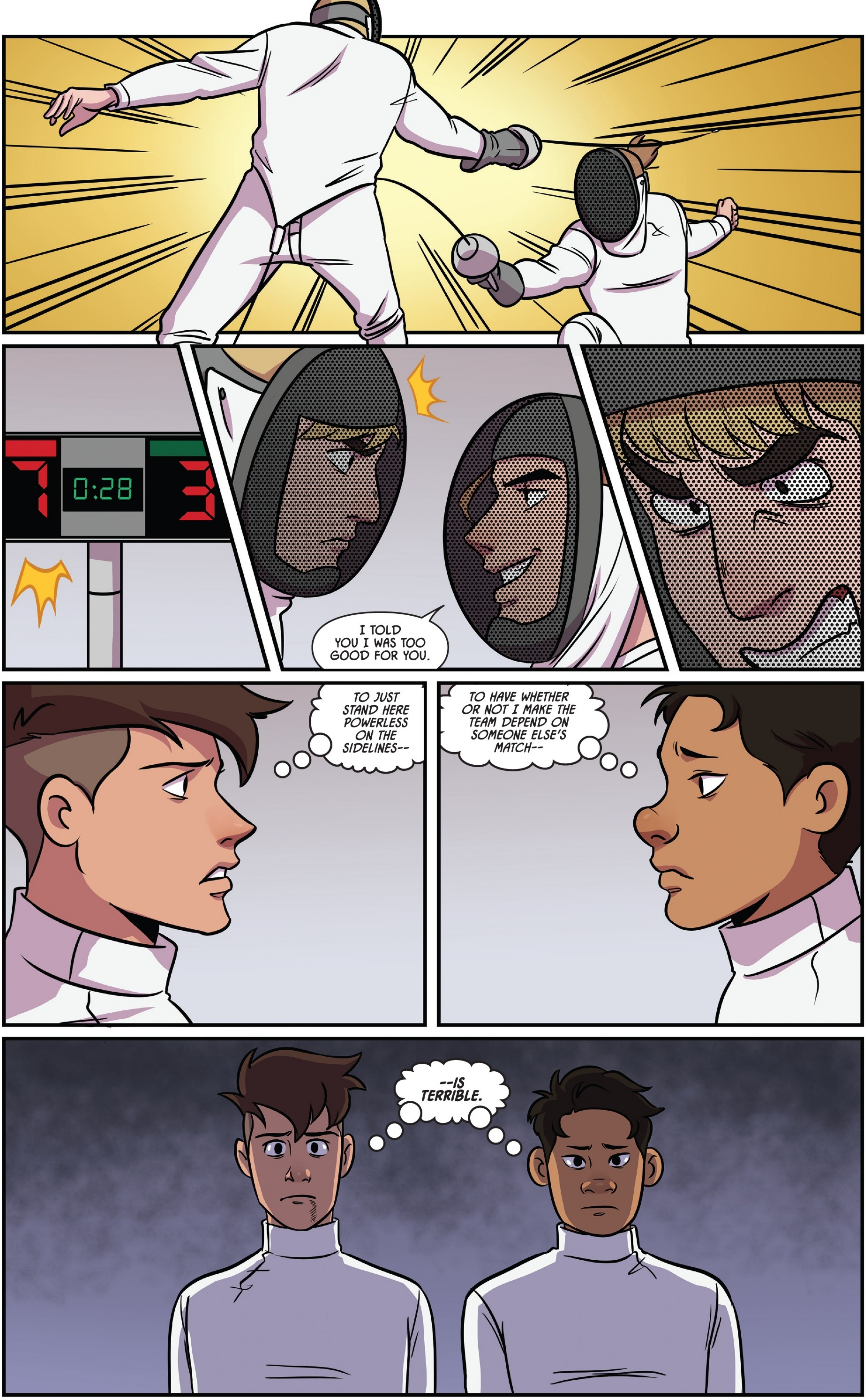
OUR FUTURES DEPEND ON JAY WINNING. BUT IT LOOKS LIKE JAY--
--HAS TOTALLY LOST IT.
DAMN IT!
I DON'T UNDERSTAND WHY JAY IS FENCING SO EMOTIONALLY.
DIDN'T YOU ALSO HAVE A GIANT MELTDOWN WHEN YOU FENCED AIDEN?
IT'S BECAUSE THEY, YOU KNOW.
I DON'T KNOW.
I DON'T KNOW EITHER.
YOU GUYS WILL FIGURE IT OUT ONE DAY. PROBABLY.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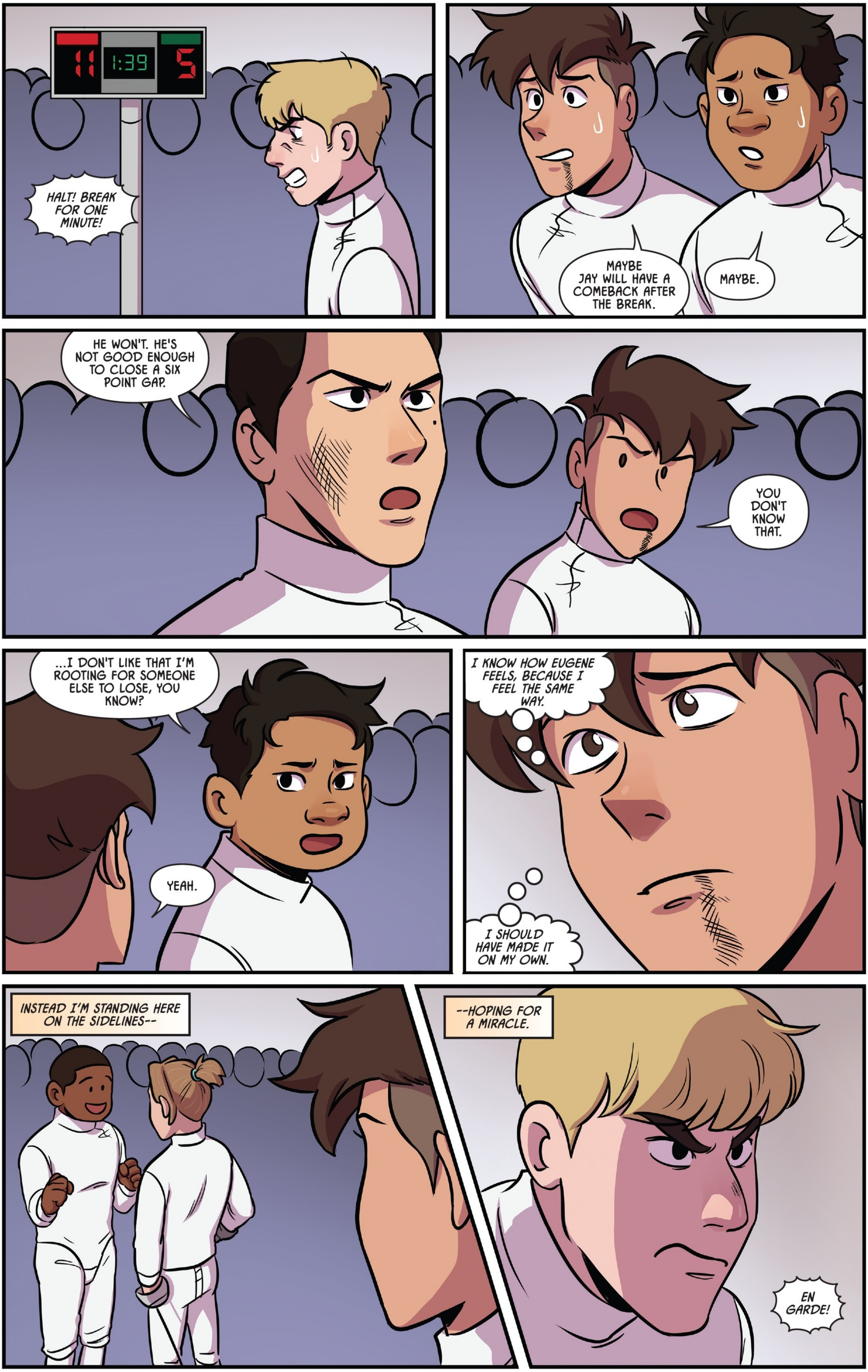
I TOLD YOU I WAS TOO GOOD FOR YOU.
TO JUST STAND HERE POWERLESS ON THE SIDELINES--
TO HAVE WHETHER OR NOT I MAKE THE TEAM DEPEND ON SOMEONE ELSE'S MATCH--
--IS TERRIBLE.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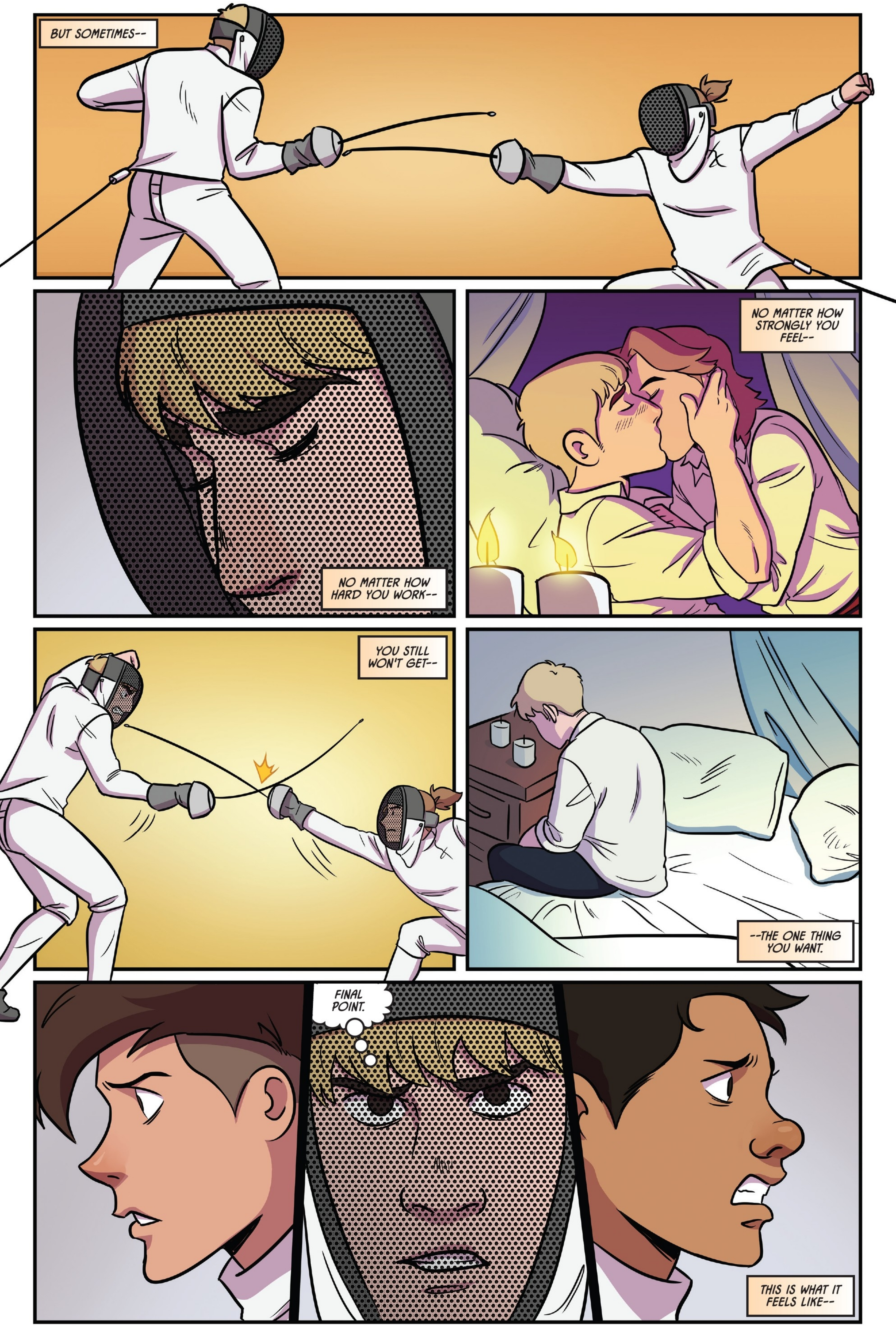
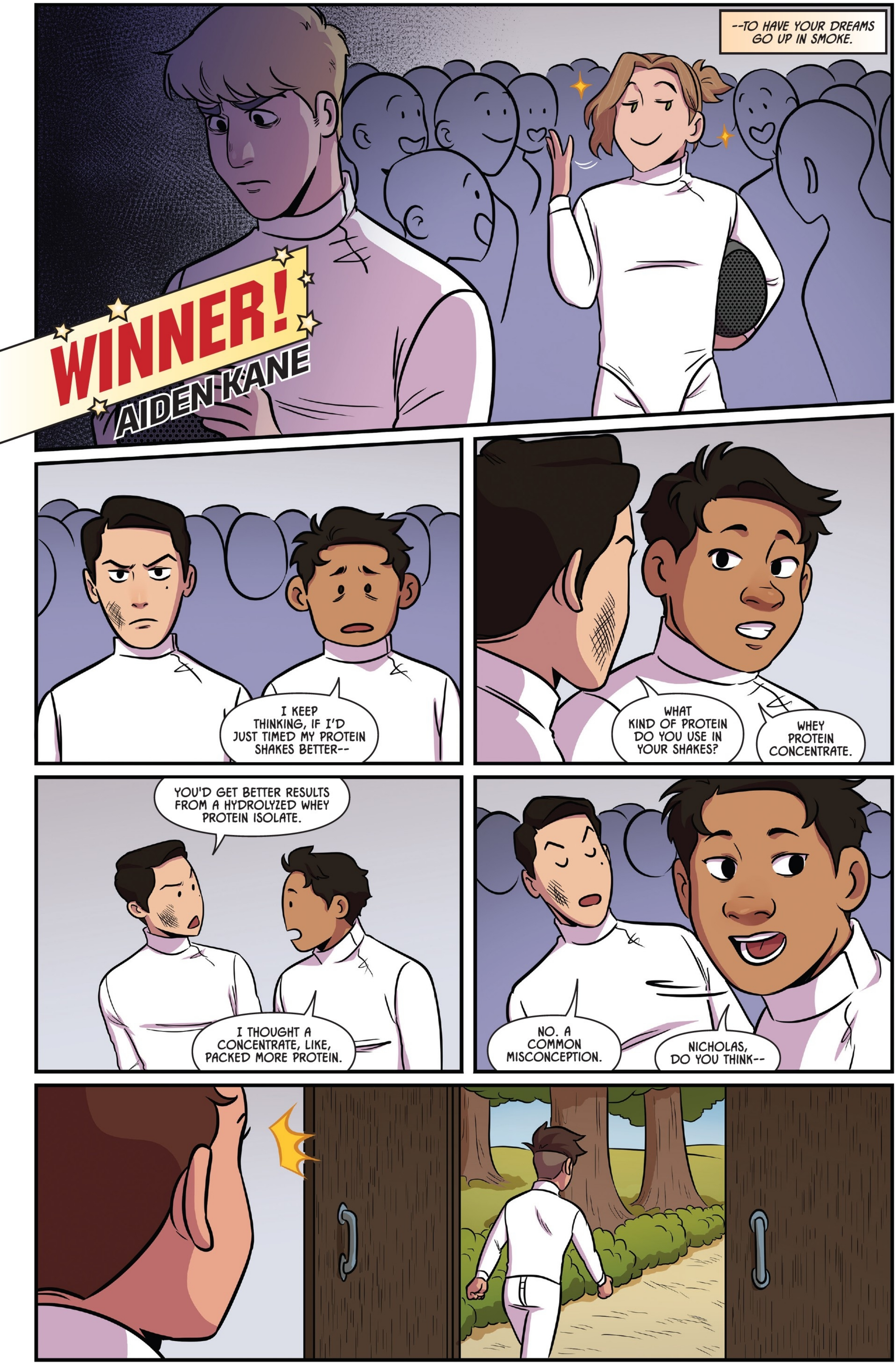
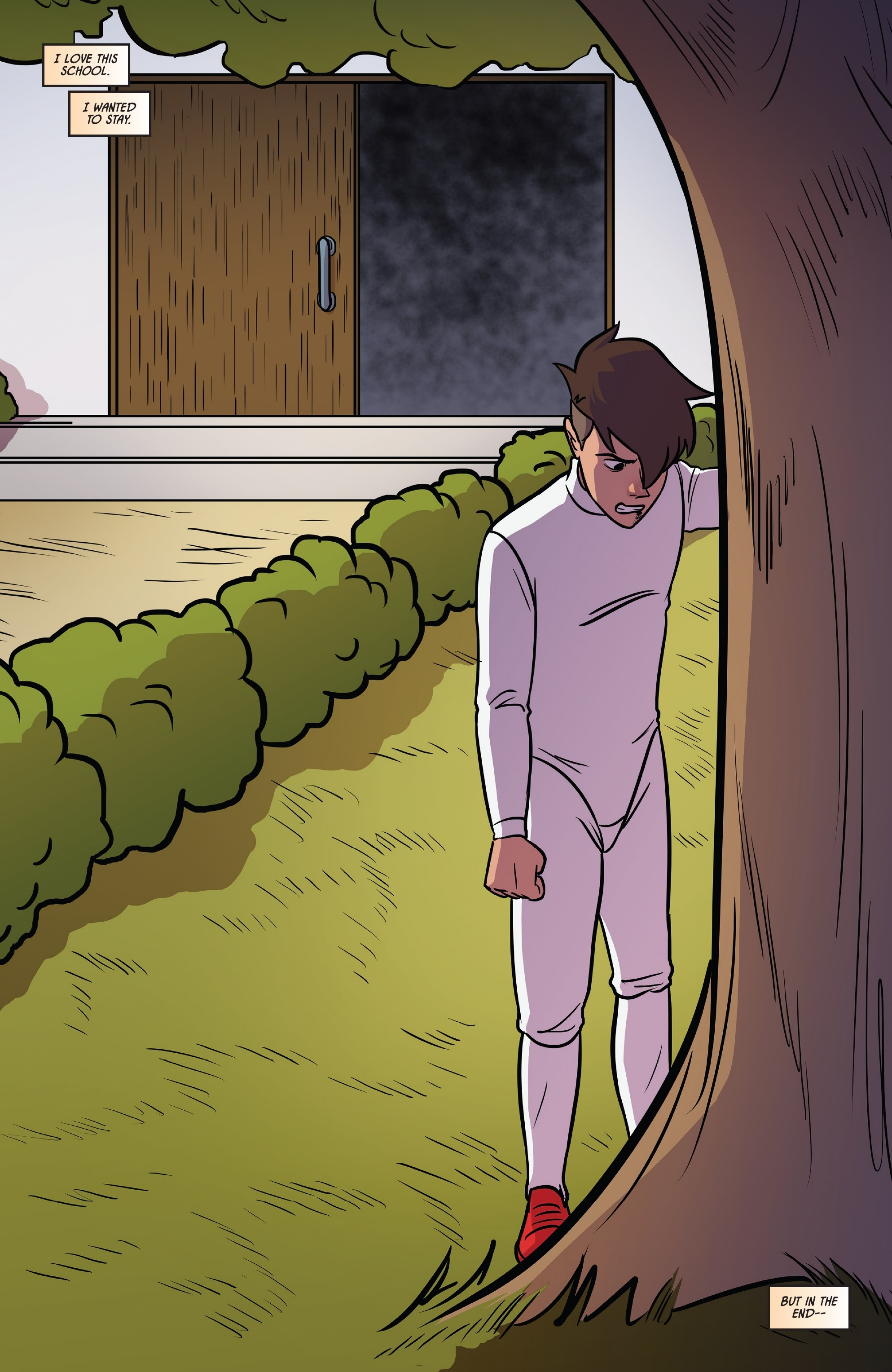
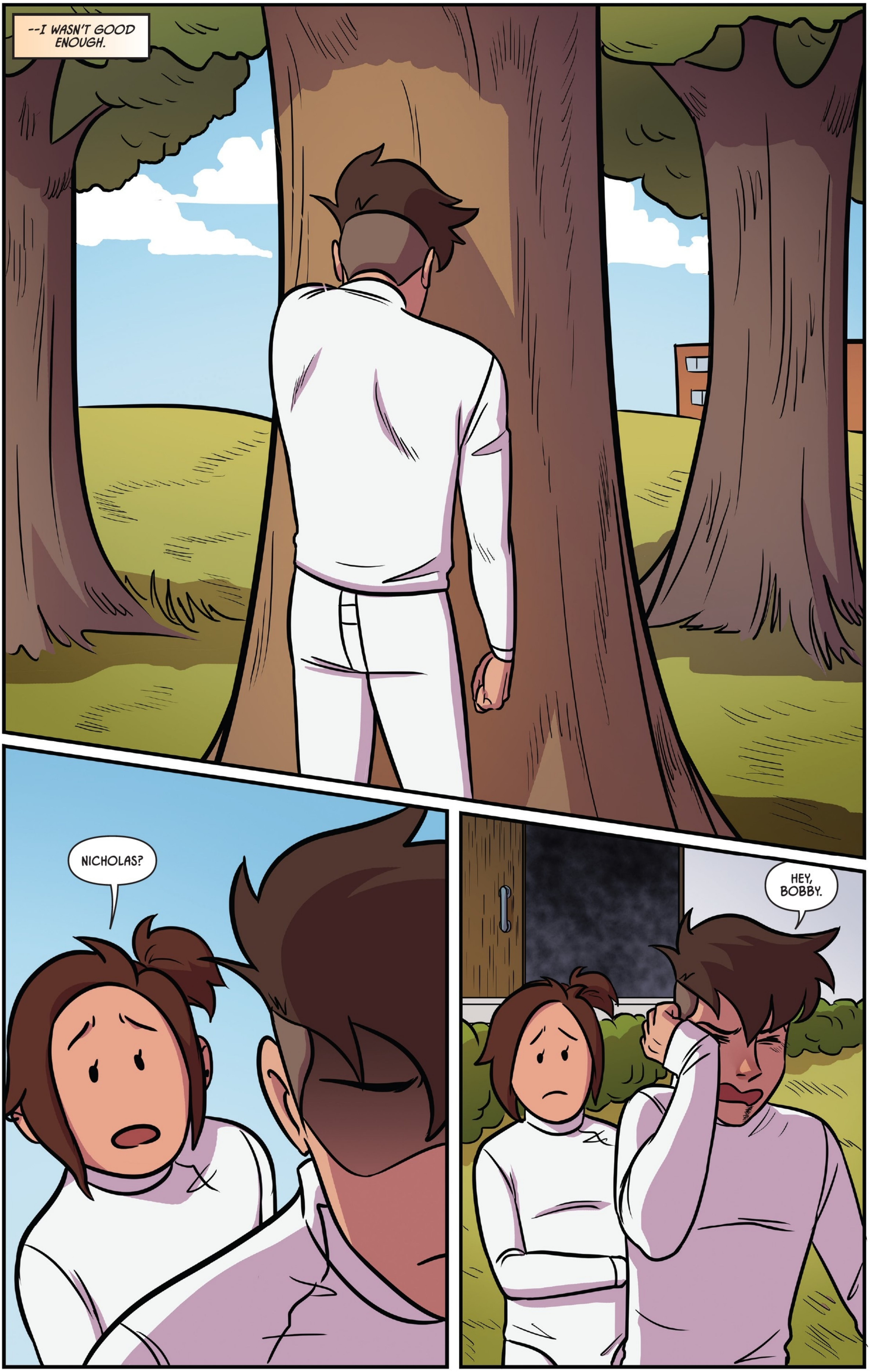
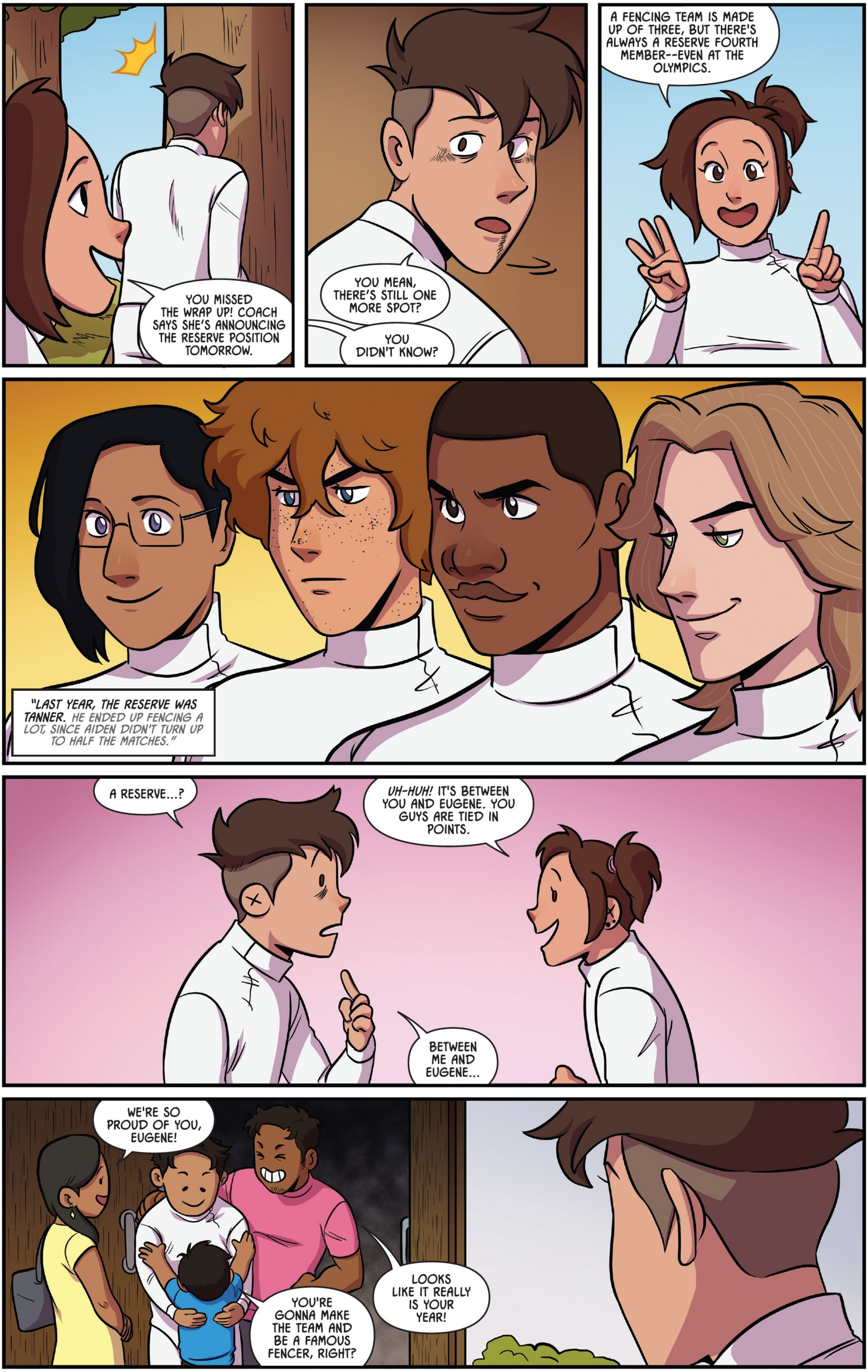
HALT! BREAK FOR ONE MINUTE!
MAYBE JAY WILL HAVE A COMEBACK AFTER THE BREAK.
MAYBE.
HE WON'T. HE'S NOT GOOD ENOUGH TO CLOSE A SIX POINT GAP.
YOU DON'T KNOW THAT.
...I DON'T LIKE THAT I'M ROOTING FOR SOMEONE ELSE TO LOSE, YOU KNOW?
YEAH.
I KNOW HOW EUGENE FEELS, BECAUSE I FEEL THE SAME WAY.
I SHOULD HAVE MADE IT ON MY OWN.
INSTEAD I'M STANDING HERE ON THE SIDELINES--
--HOPING FOR A MIRACLE.
EN GARDE!

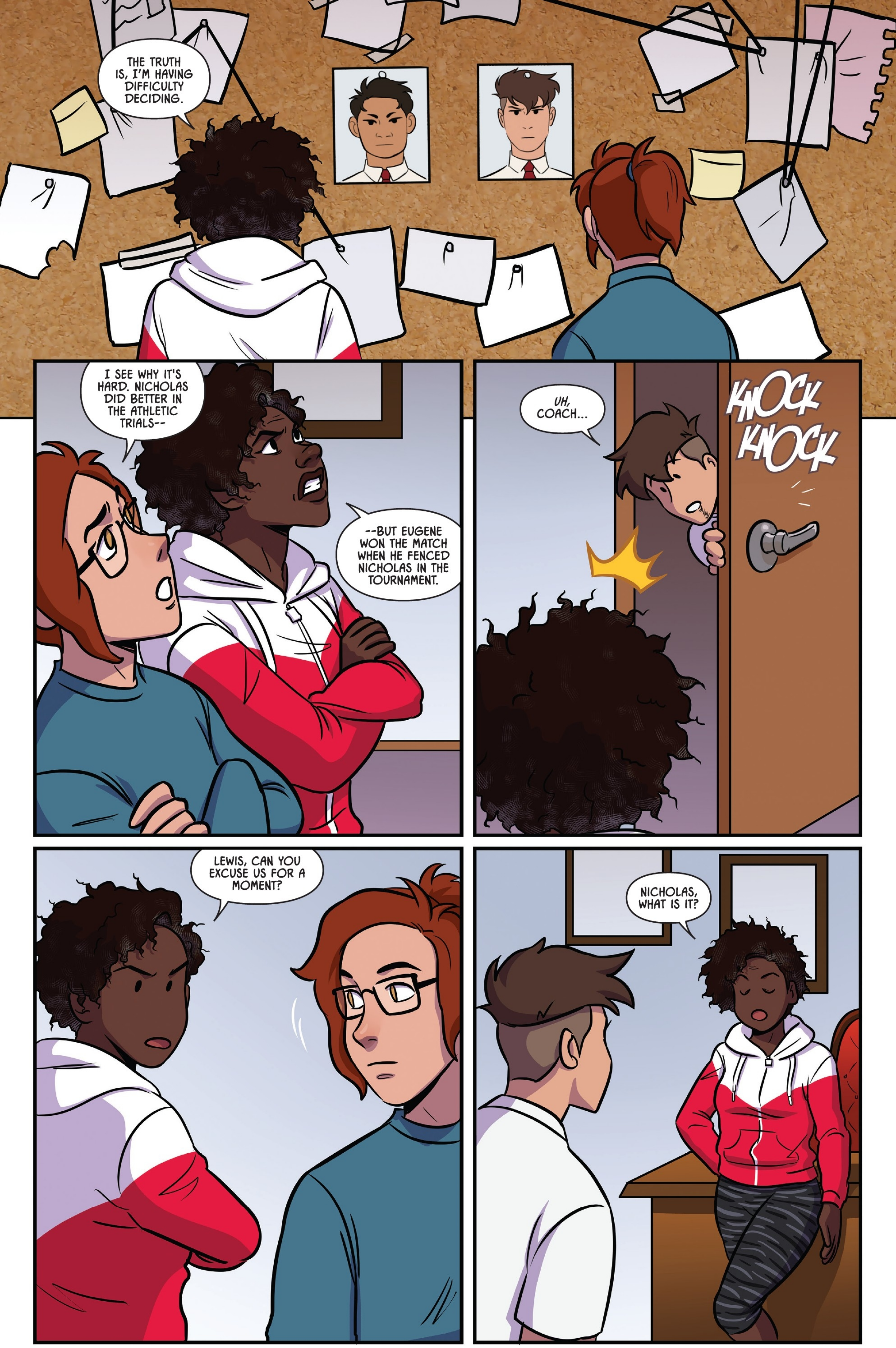

BUT SOMETIMES--
NO MATTER HOW HARD YOU WORK--
NO MATTER HOW STRONGLY YOU FEEL--
YOU STILL WON'T GET--
--THE ONE THING YOU WANT.
FINAL POINT.
THIS IS WHAT IT FEELS LIKE--

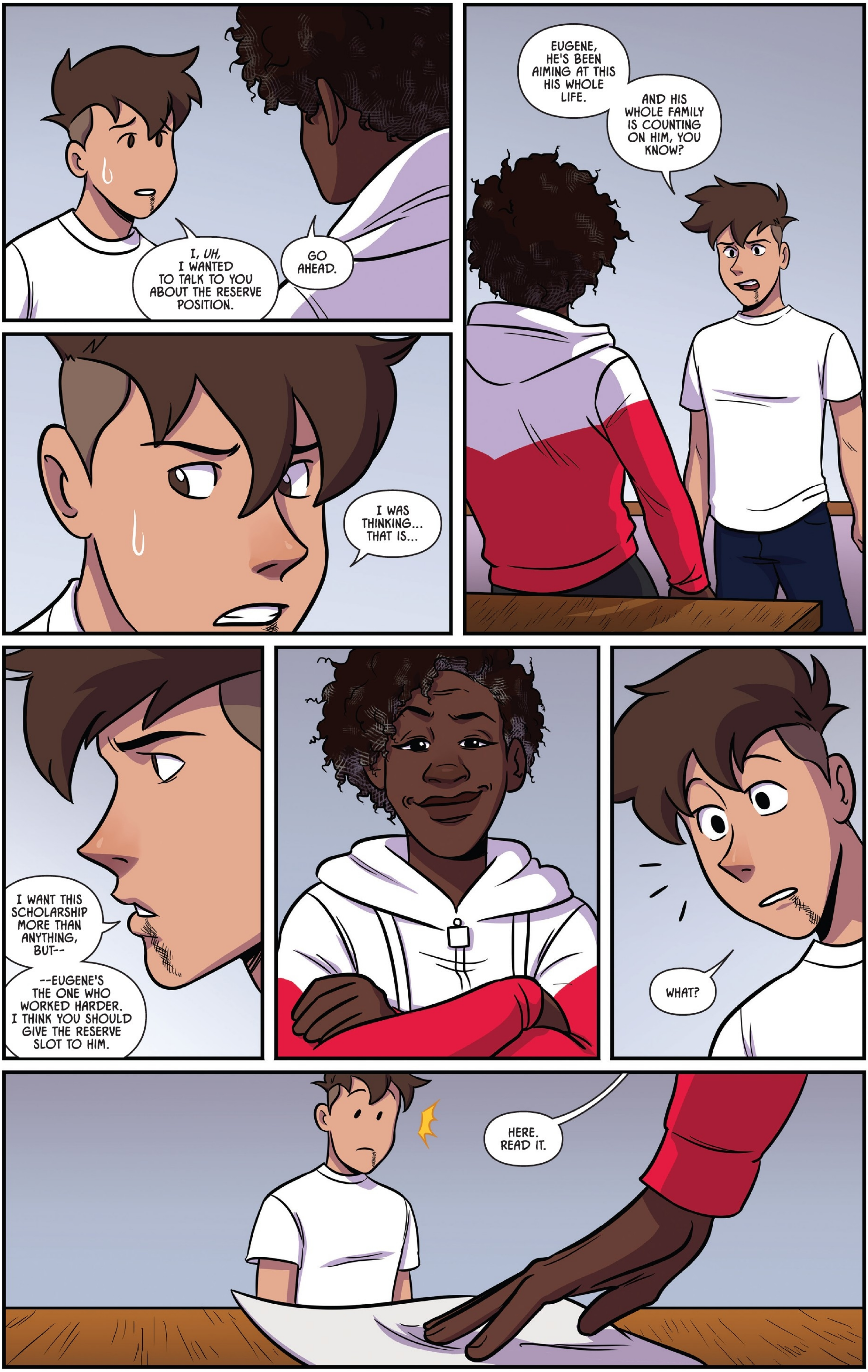

--TO HAVE YOUR DREAMS GO UP IN SMOKE.
WINNER!
AIDEN KANE
I KEEP THINKING, IF I'D JUST TIMED MY PROTEIN SHAKES BETTER--
WHAT KIND OF PROTEIN DO YOU USE IN YOUR SHAKES?
WHEY PROTEIN CONCENTRATE.
YOU'D GET BETTER RESULTS FROM A HYDROLYZED WHEY PROTEIN ISOLATE.
I THOUGHT A CONCENTRATE, LIKE, PACKED MORE PROTEIN.
NO. A COMMON MISCONCEPTION.
NICHOLAS, DO YOU THINK--

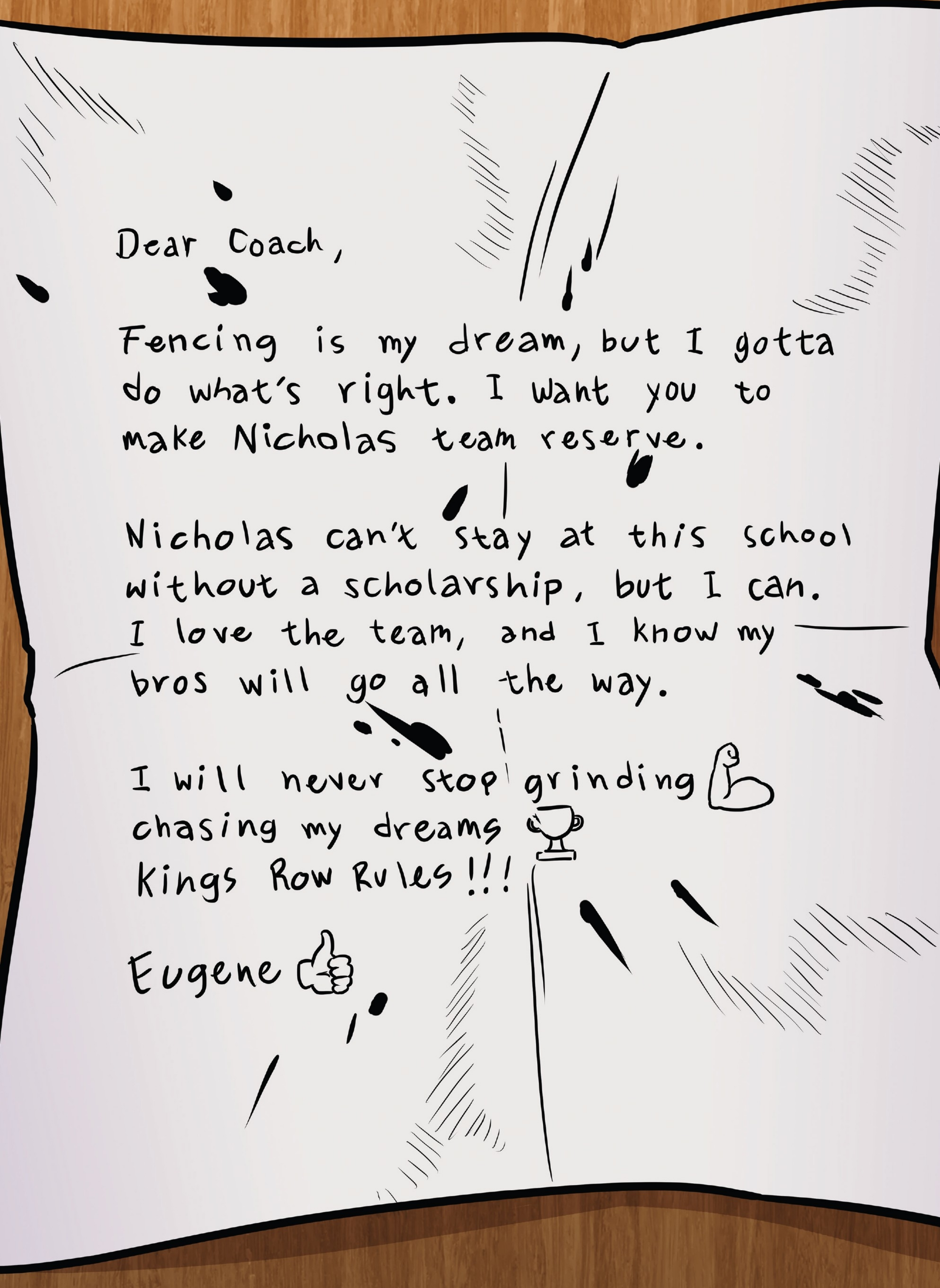

I LOVE THIS SCHOOL.
I WANTED TO STAY.
BUT IN THE END--


--I WASN'T GOOD ENOUGH.
NICHOLAS?
HEY, BOBBY.


YOU MISSED THE WRAP UP! COACH SAYS SHE'S ANNOUNCING THE RESERVE POSITION TOMORROW.
YOU MEAN, THERE'S STILL ONE MORE SPOT?
YOU DIDN'T KNOW?
A FENCING TEAM IS MADE UP OF THREE, BUT THERE'S ALWAYS A RESERVE FOURTH MEMBER--EVEN AT THE OLYMPICS.
"LAST YEAR, THE RESERVE WAS TANNER. HE ENDED UP FENCING A LOT, SINCE AIDEN DIDN'T TURN UP TO HALF THE MATCHES."
A RESERVE...?
UH-HUH! IT'S BETWEEN YOU AND EUGENE. YOU GUYS ARE TIED IN POINTS.
BETWEEN ME AND EUGENE...
WE'RE SO PROUD OF YOU, EUGENE!
YOU'RE GONNA MAKE THE TEAM AND BE A FAMOUS FENCER, RIGHT?
LOOKS LIKE IT REALLY IS YOUR YEAR!


THE TRUTH IS, I'M HAVING DIFFICULTY DECIDING.
I SEE WHY IT'S HARD. NICHOLAS DID BETTER IN THE ATHLETIC TRIALS--
--BUT EUGENE WON THE MATCH WHEN HE FENCED NICHOLAS IN THE TOURNAMENT.
KNOCK KNOCK
UH, COACH...
LEWIS, CAN YOU EXCUSE US FOR A MOMENT?
NICHOLAS, WHAT IS IT?


I, UH, I WANTED TO TALK TO YOU ABOUT THE RESERVE POSITION.
GO AHEAD.
EUGENE, HE'S BEEN AIMING AT THIS HIS WHOLE LIFE.
AND HIS WHOLE FAMILY IS COUNTING ON HIM, YOU KNOW?
I WAS THINKING... THAT IS...
I WANT THIS SCHOLARSHIP MORE THAN ANYTHING, BUT--
--EUGENE'S THE ONE WHO WORKED HARDER. I THINK YOU SHOULD GIVE THE RESERVE SLOT TO HIM.
WHAT?
HERE. READ IT.



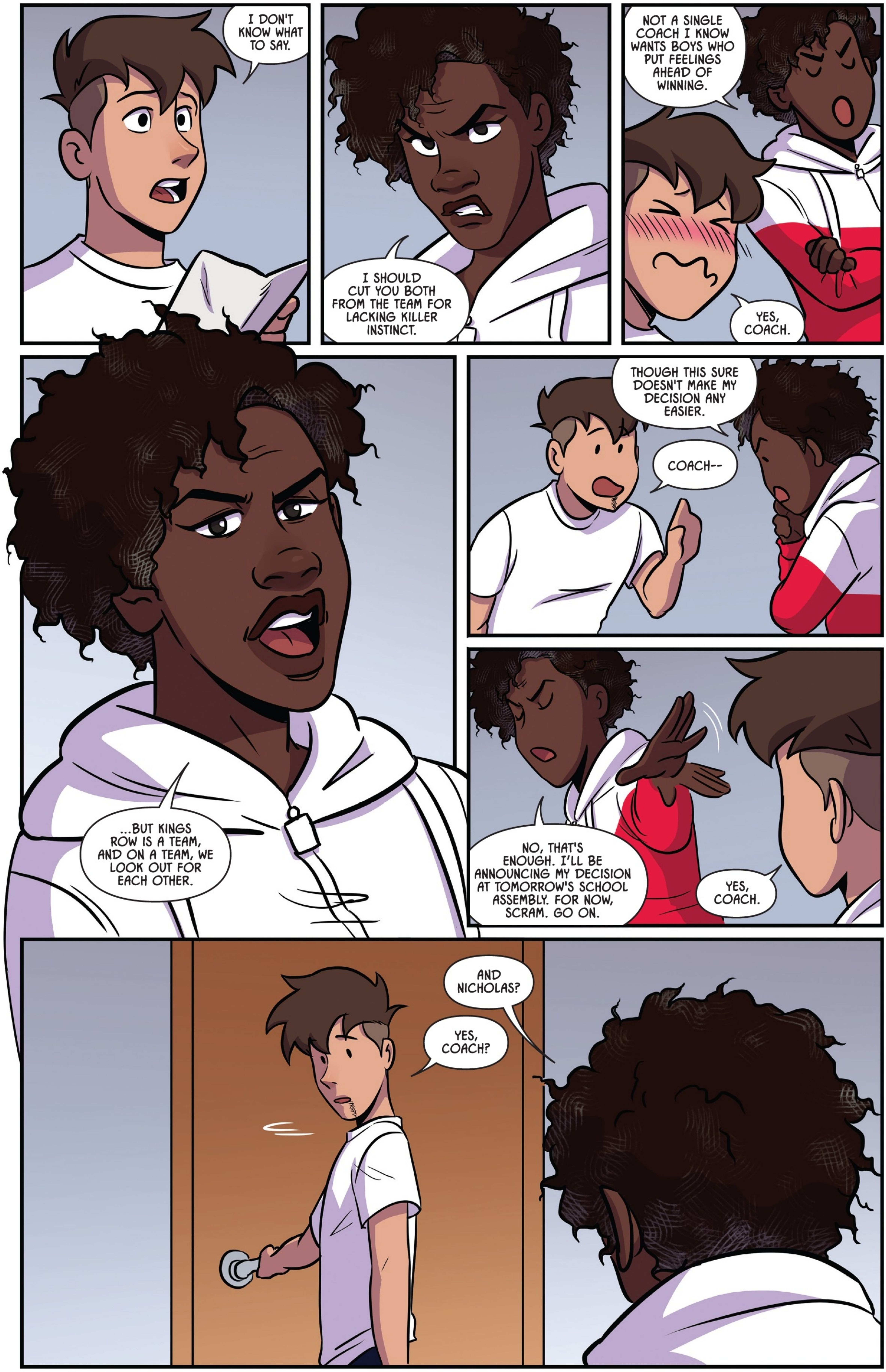
Dear Coach,

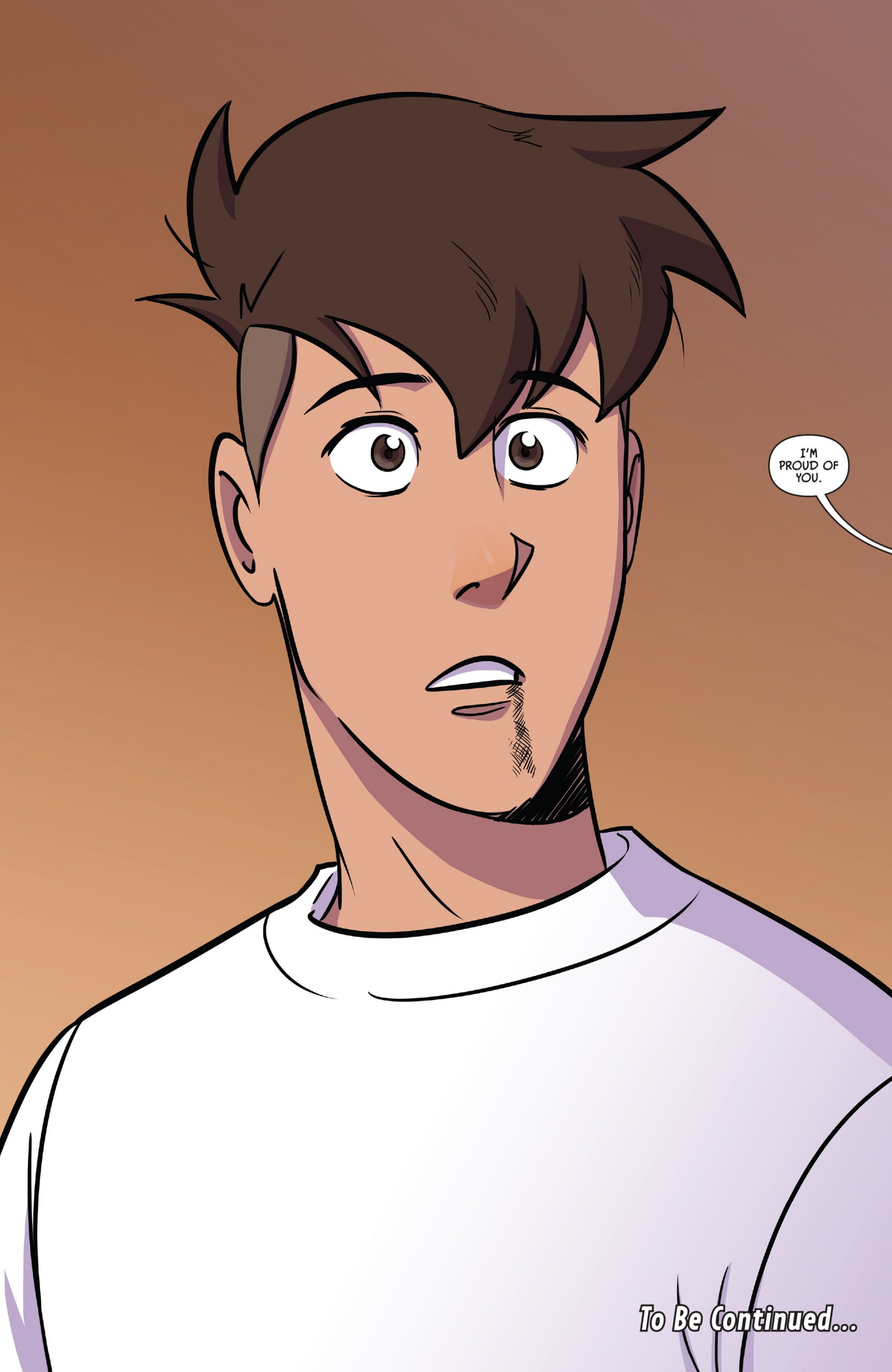
Fencing is my dream, but I gotta do what's right. I want you to make Nicholas team reserve.

Nicholas can't stay at this school without a scholarship, but I can. I love the team, and I know my bros will go all the way.

I will never stop grinding 💪
chasing my dreams 🏆
Kings Row Rules!!!

Eugene 👍


I DON'T KNOW WHAT TO SAY.
I SHOULD CUT YOU BOTH FROM THE TEAM FOR LACKING KILLER INSTINCT.
NOT A SINGLE COACH I KNOW WANTS BOYS WHO PUT FEELINGS AHEAD OF WINNING.
YES, COACH.
...BUT KINGS ROW IS A TEAM, AND ON A TEAM, WE LOOK OUT FOR EACH OTHER.
THOUGH THIS SURE DOESN'T MAKE MY DECISION ANY EASIER.
COACH--
NO, THAT'S ENOUGH. I'LL BE ANNOUNCING MY DECISION AT TOMORROW'S SCHOOL ASSEMBLY. FOR NOW, SCRAM. GO ON.
YES, COACH.
AND NICHOLAS?
YES, COACH?


I'M PROUD OF YOU.

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With the days getting shorter and the nights getting spookier, the Backstagers are back for the Halloween season with all-new tales of terrors and creepy creatures. When Sasha accidentally falls asleep backstage, he ends up locked in the theater overnight! What lurks in the shadows, what terrors will he discover, and what the heck are the stage managers chanting?

THE BACKSTAGERS 2018 HALLOWEEN INTERMISSION
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WWE: UNDERTAKER OGN

CHAD DUNDAS • RODRIGO LORENZO
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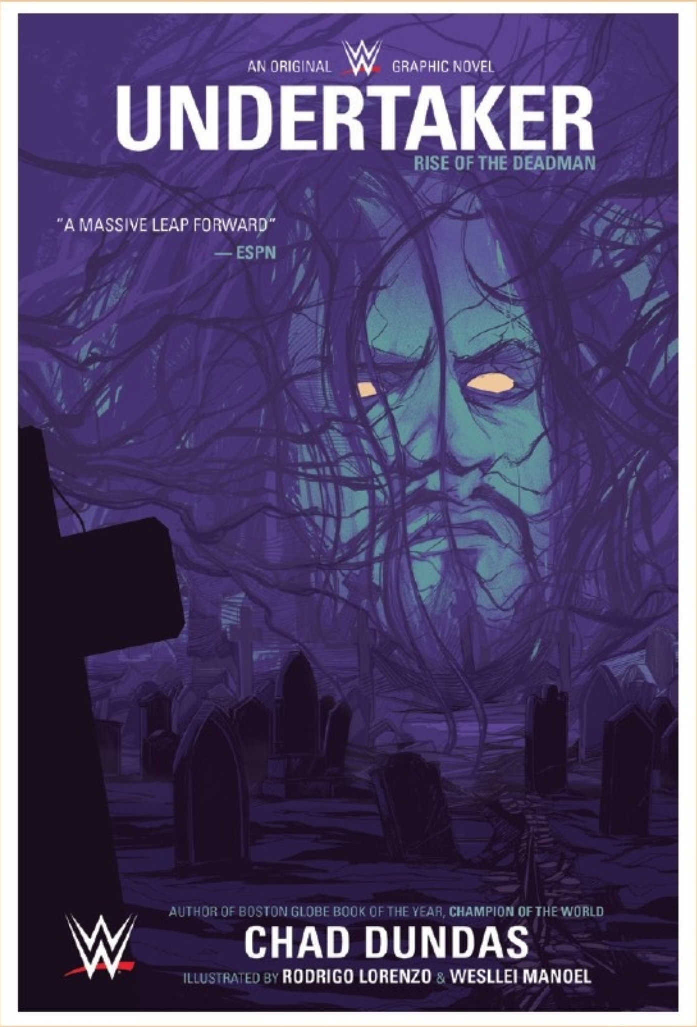
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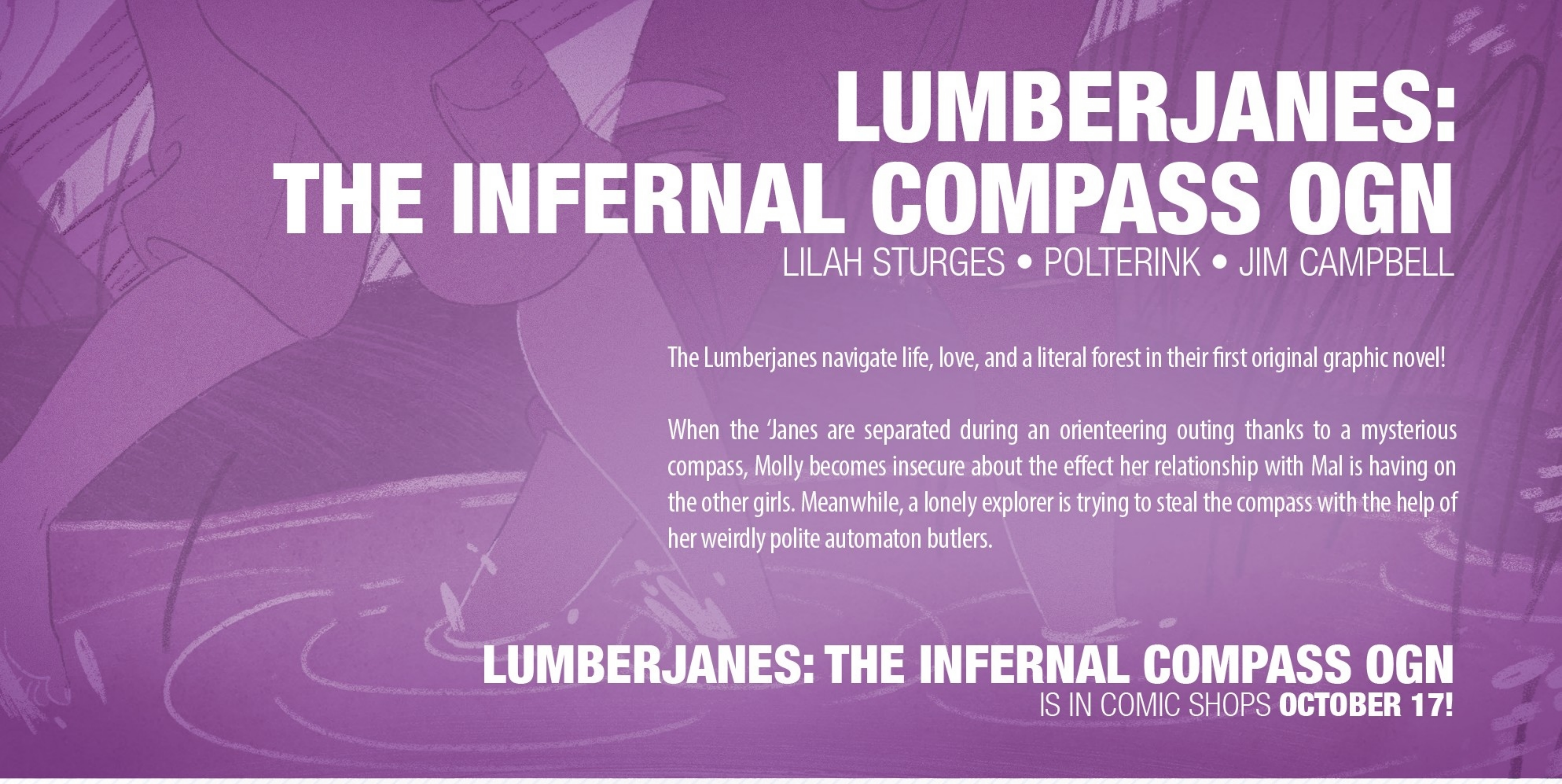

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NIMALI ABEYRATNE • ED DUKESHIRE

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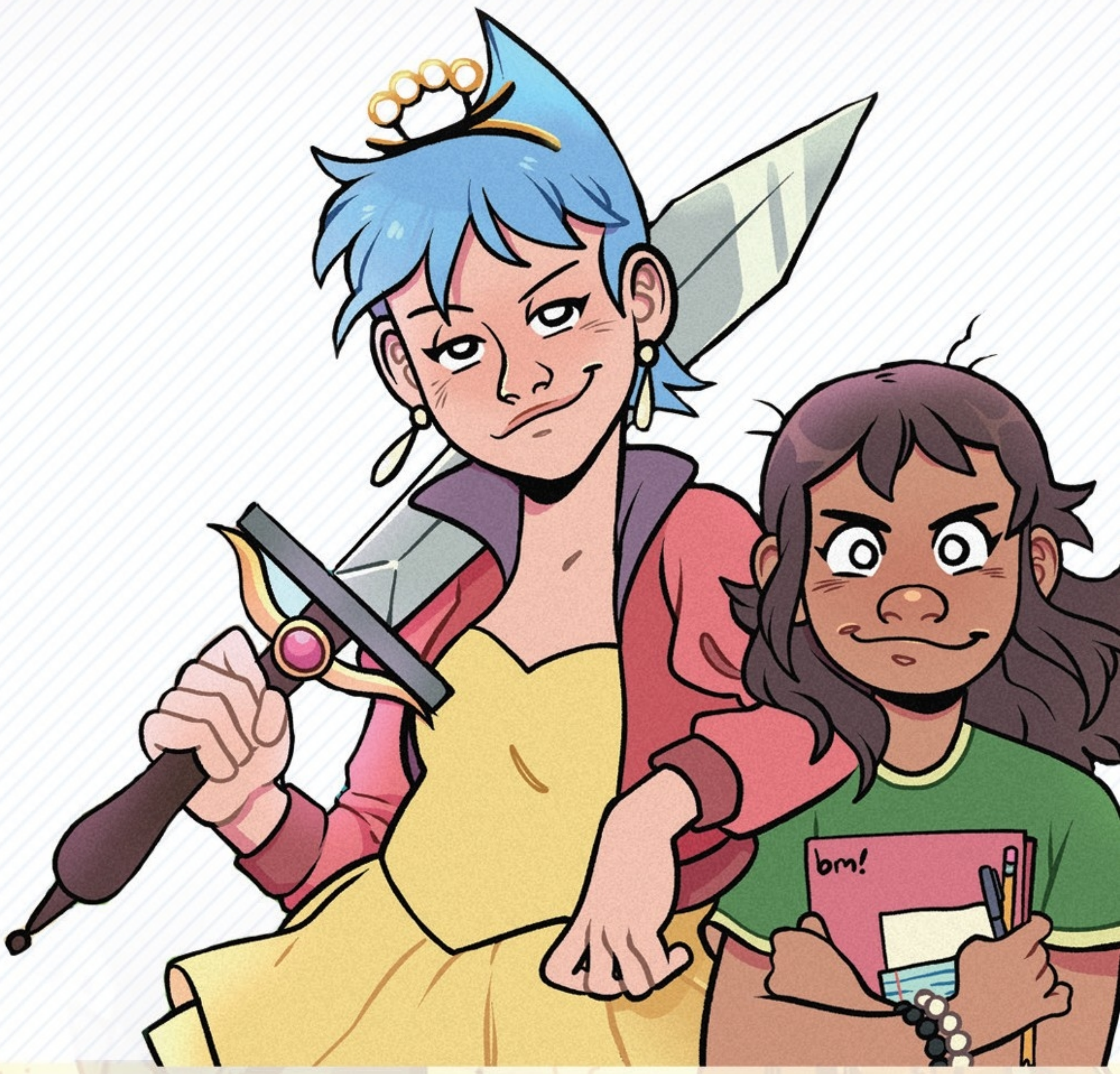

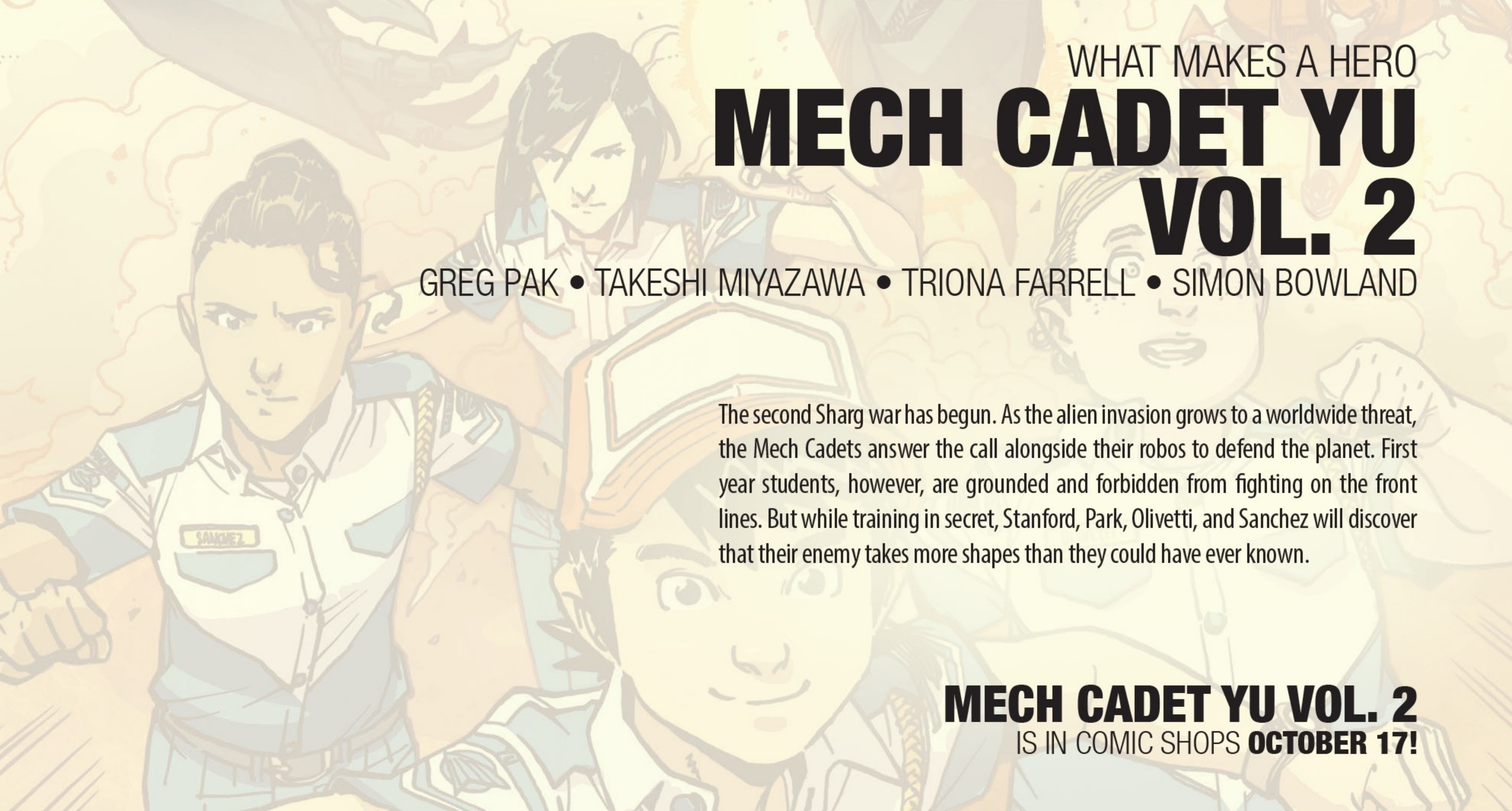

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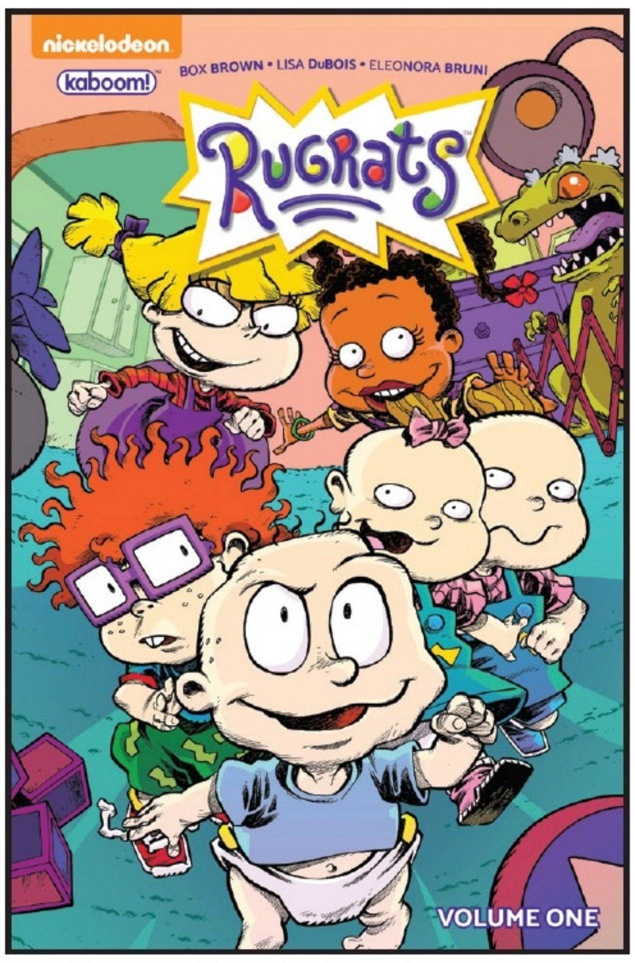
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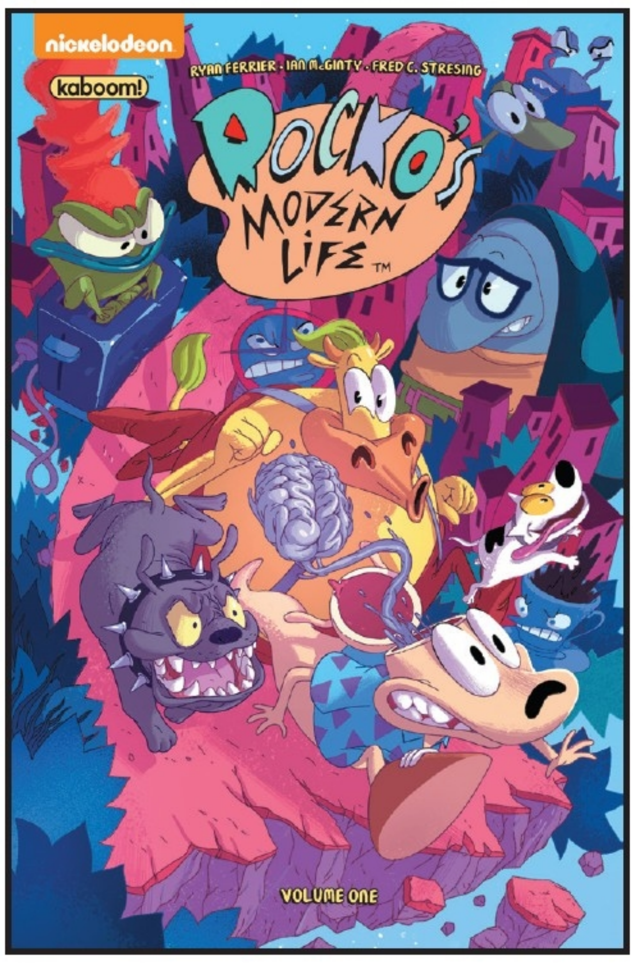
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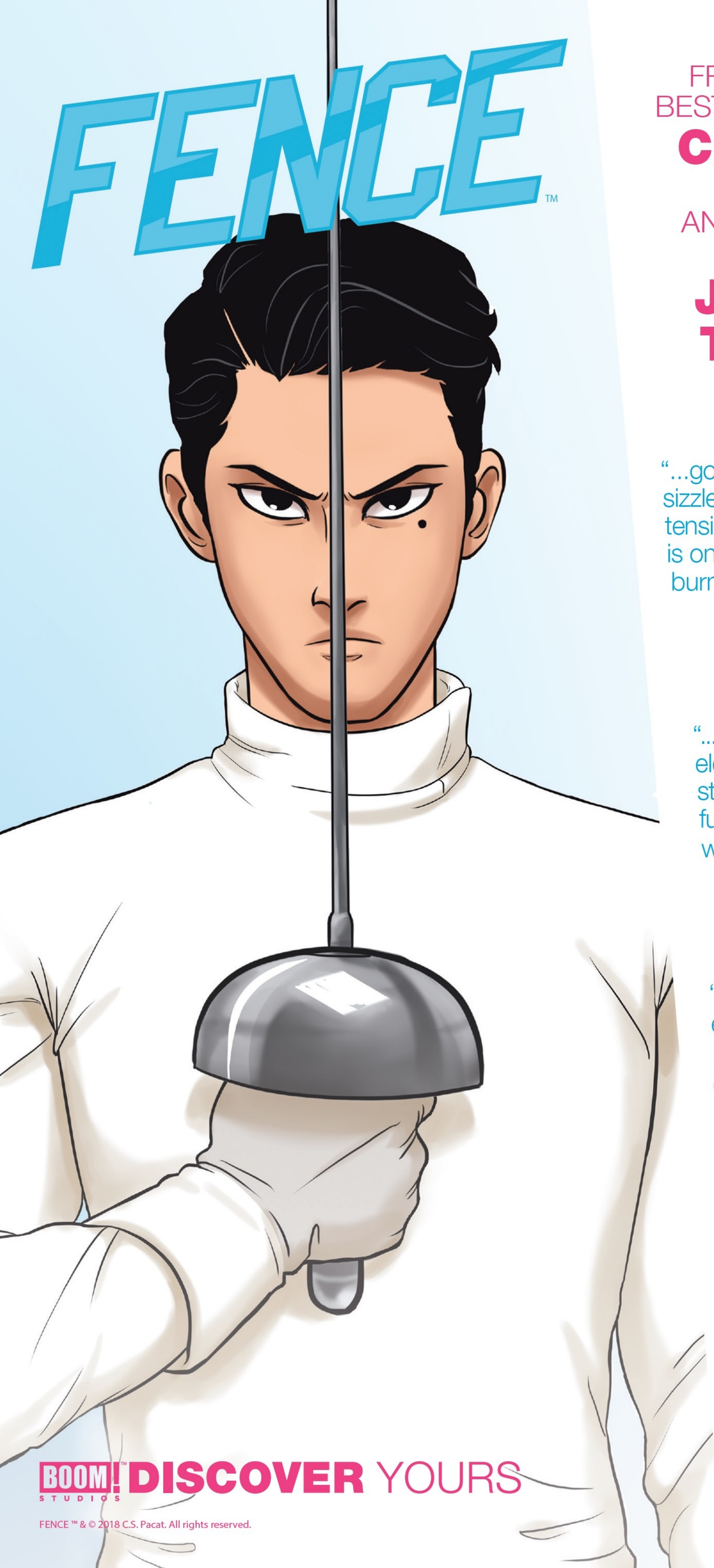

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